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Who's Who and What's What

Rev. H. A. Zimmerman, pastor at Albuquerque, becomes mission secretary in Arizona.

Pastor R. R. Keathly has just closed a fine Daily Vacation Bible School at Shuqualak.

Rev. J. W. Middleton of Clinton is this week in a meeting with Pastor D. L. Hill at Holly Springs.

Prof. Chester Swor will help in meetings in Norfolk, Suffolk, Marshall, Alexandria and Danville, Va., this summer.

Miss Leila Katherine Routh, daughter of Editor E. C. Routh of Oklahoma City was married June 10 to Mr. Wendell Arnett of Nashville.

Rev. H. J. Rushing of Olive Branch, according to report coming to us will hereafter give full time to the church at Collierville, Tenn.

Dr. A. B. Wood had with him in a recent meeting in Forest Evangelist T. O. Reese of Florida, and Rev. W. W. Grafton to lead the singing. There were 22 additions to the church.

Oregon Baptists have set a goal of 1500 baptisms for the year. The largest number in any year heretofore was 1460. They also plan a large advance in Mission contributions.

Pastor D. W. Moulder begins revival meeting at Beulah Church, Smith County, the night of July 21, services at night only. Rev. Wade Smith will preach. Pray and come.

Since the repeal of the prohibition amendment the national debt has mounted sky high, and the cost of crime has risen to \$15,000,000,000 annually.

"The Leland Baptist Church held its Vacation Bible School from May 28 to June 9. 140 were enrolled. There was an excellent faculty of 29 members. The pastor, Mr. James B. Leavell, served as principal of the school."—M. H.

Broadway Church, Ft. Worth, is erecting a \$105,000 educational annex to take care of a growing church. In one and a half years' time Pastor W. D. Hudgins and Educational Director W. L. Howse, Jr., have seen 1,700 additions to the church.

G. A. Norris, president of the National Association of Milk Control Boards, says, "The first year after repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment milk consumption dropped 37 million quarts, the second year it dropped 59 million quarts, the third year it dropped 69 million quarts. How sad."

A School of Evangelism was held last week by the First Baptist Church, Senatobia, with Dr. H. L. Martin leading the study of Dr. Roland Leavell's book, "Winning Others to Christ." A two weeks' Vacation Bible School is beginning this week with Mrs. H. L. Martin as principal.

This is said to be the greatest year in the history of Memphis Baptists, 1,717 additions to the churches in the past five months, over half of them by baptism. In the simultaneous evangelistic campaign in 27 churches recently 860 were added to the churches, 601 by baptism.

The Watchman-Examiner says, "May we make it plain that the various Baptist Conventions are not separate denominations, but are all one vast denomination?" No, brother, you'll never make other denominations see that. They just can't take it in that a Baptist is a Baptist, if he is a Baptist, irrespective of his geography or color. There's a blind spot in some peoples eyes.

Providence Church, Yazoo County has called Rev. F. Robins, ministerial student in Mississippi College and he preaches the third Sunday in each month. Rev. H. B. Spights also ministerial student will preach the second Sunday and Saturday before at Short Creek Church, Yazoo County.

It is a real question in the minds of many whether we did not take up too much time at the Southern Baptist Convention with preaching. The preaching was good and contributed to the spirit of the meeting. But it is not exactly what we go to a Convention for. What about spending a little more time in prayer?

"Giving the men a chance"—That is exactly what the "Brotherhood Movement" proposes to do; and that is exactly what is being done wherever the pastors get a vision of the potential possibilities in organized man power. Keep in mind, this is a movement, a Christian movement, and a Baptist Christian men's movement. God is leading, shall we follow?—L. G. Gates.

Put this date on your program, July 3-7. That is the time of the meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Assembly at the Woman's College in Hattiesburg. The program appeared in the Record recently. Dr. J. D. Grey of New Orleans, First Church; Dr. E. F. Haight of the Baptist Bible Institute; Secretary D. A. McCall; Miss Wilma Bucy of Atlanta, and Mrs. Owen Cooper of Jackson are among the speakers.

There has never been a lack of those who believe in church union. From the beginning of Christianity there have been those who thought the hope of Christianizing the world lay in a closely knit church organization. Those who hold this view now may believe that they are advanced for their day, but men of such convictions created the papacy from the fourth to the seventh centuries. It is nothing new to think of church union.—Watchman-Examiner.

Laurel, First Church: We often wonder what we did before the idea of the D.V.B.S. was made an ideal. . . . This school fills a place all its own; nothing else can take its place. We are in the midst of ours with an enrollment of more than two hundred. Everybody seems to be having a good time. Under the efficient leadership of Miss Eleanor Lewis Walters and with a score of faithful and loyal helpers much interest is being manifested. Our offering each morning goes to the building fund of the Orphanage.—L. G. Gates, Pastor.

There are enough members of Baptist Churches in Mississippi today who were educated at Baptist schools, to raise the \$55,000 needed to complete the endowment of Mississippi Woman's College in thirty days. This could be done if each one should give \$25.00 each. And every one who went to a Baptist college was helped many times that amount in getting his or her education. Every boy or girl who goes to a Baptist college has a part of the cost of his education paid for by others, for the buildings and equipment and endowment were given by others. Of course this is true also of people who went to state institutions. Somebody else paid a large part of the cost of our education. Then why should we not contribute something to help educate others. It is a debt we owe to the coming generation. Simple gratitude should lead everyone of us to give to maintain and endow our Christian colleges. Now is a good time to show our gratitude, and our interest in others and in the Lord's work.

Bowen Memorial Church, Harrison County, holds its revival meeting June 23-30; daily Vacation Bible School June 20-30. Pastor Melvin P. Wilson recently had Rev. Charles Taylor with him in a meeting at Sharon, near the coast. He preaches on both sides of the Mississippi River, and his churches believe in him.

Dr. Carl N. Travis writes concerning two revivals. He was with Pastor N. A. Edmonds and Shubuta, Miss., Baptist Church May 28-June 4. Although it rained continually there were five additions, all adults, three for baptism. He assisted Pastor H. T. Comish at Baptist, La. (New Beulah) last week and there were twenty-one additions, twelve for baptism, all adults but three. The work at Denham Springs, La. moves on. V. B. S. has 151 enrolled and is in high gear at present. The church debt has been cut in half in the past two and one-half years, standing now at \$6,500. Thanks to God!

Somebody raises the question whether it is entirely ethical for Southern Baptists when they have endorsed a statement on religious liberty and separation of church and state to arrange to have it published in the Congressional Record and have it sent postage free all over the country. Personally we do not know who had it put in the Congressional Record and so do not pass judgment upon it. But we have observed that Baptists have to watch themselves to prevent any improper use of government funds, and to prevent mixing up church and state, just like other folks. This applies to some of our historical principles for which we contend.

Some of the brethren believe that the action at the recent session of the Southern Baptist Convention forbidding the reading of any resolution but passing it on to the resolution committee would come under the head of doing evil that good might come. It was evidently for the purpose of preventing trouble makers from getting in their work on matters that might stir up controversy and divert the Convention from its business. It was a short method of getting rid of tangential pests. But lawyers and courts often think it better to take time and do things right than to do them in a hurry and violate some principle of justice and equity. For the same reason, it is not generally considered good policy among Baptists to move the previous question and cut off debate; though it is sometimes done.

We recently saw an exemplification of the words of Paul, "Thanks be to God who always leadeth us in triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest by us the savor of his knowledge in every place." Be sure you get the meaning as this is expressed in the American Revision; for it is "leadeth us in triumph" and not "maketh us to triumph." Jesus captured Paul and turned him completely round and put him in his service. He was Jesus' captive, and Jesus exhibited him as a captive, taken by the grace of God in the gospel; and the Lord led him as a captive at his chariot wheels, showing him as one won to Christ from a life of opposition and persecution. What we saw was a young pastor serving in a church and among a people where his former manner of life had been antagonistic to the gospel and as Paul says, "injurious." Now he is leading these people happily in the service of God and in the furtherance of the gospel. We may all thank God for the triumphs of the gospel.

Sparks and Splinters

According to the Florida Baptist Witness twice as many people were convicted of violating liquor laws in 1937 as in any prohibition year.

Dr. Norman W. Cox is much encouraged over the good beginning of his work at First Church, Meridian, and the brethren over the state are giving him a cordial welcome.

Brother John A. Farmer starts on his third year of service with the State Sunday School forces. His joy in the work grows from month to month, and he grows in favor with the brethren.

The annual revival meeting of O'Zion Church, Franklin County, will begin the third Sunday in July. We are praying for a great revival.—J. L. Holland, Clerk.

Mrs. Nancy Mullins Ferguson of Minden, La., recently gave \$10,000.00 to the campaign to raise \$100,000 for Louisiana (Baptist) College. Some people are obeying the Lord by laying up treasures in heaven.

Now Germans and Italians are disputing as to which one of them won the war in Spain. A few months ago they were professing adherence to non-intervention in Spain. Whichever won, the Spaniards lost.

The church at Hardy will have a church bulletin gotten out by Pastor Beverly and a group of young people. The pastor and his family will spend the summer here, having preaching every Sunday and weekly choir practice.

The Alabama Baptist says that Dr. Jno. L. Slaughter expects to be in his pulpit, First Church, Birmingham, June 18, after serious illness. His pulpit was supplied on Sunday morning by Dr. J. R. Hobbs, former pastor.

The Alabama Baptist quotes from the Montgomery Advertiser that "moonshiners and rum runners seem to be more active in this country than in a long time." That's what repeal has done in Alabama.

Thousands of people are being refused life insurance because of the habit of drinking alcoholic liquors, and the number has increased since the repeal of prohibition. The life insurance companies will have to become prohibitionists in self defense.

June is Christian Education month throughout the Southern Baptist Convention. We do not lay much store by the observance of days and seasons, and Baptists generally do not seem to be greatly impressed with them. But there are certain times of the year which are specially suited to special kinds of work. And this is true of Christian work as well as any other. And we do believe in Christian Education, all the way out from the home, the Sunday school, B.T.U., church and college. There is as much need for religion in the school as in the family. There is no time or place where it is not needed. It ought not to become a dead letter in our faith. We ought to support and patronize our Christian colleges. This should not be a lip service. It calls for money to support them. Let's not take it out in mere talk. There are some of our higher ups that need this admonition as well as the rest of us.

The Presbyterian, published in Philadelphia, says editorially of the proposed union between Episcopalians and Northern Presbyterians: "So far as union with the Episcopalians is concerned, while there are many public expressions of encouragement, we have not found anyone who thinks it can ever come to pass. Perhaps it is not altogether fair to those who are carrying on the conversations to make the way to union look too easy. Prelacy and sacerdotalism are both strongly entrenched in the Anglican system. Both are entirely antagonistic to the whole genius of our thought and life. Personally, contact is pleasant, and upon occasion fellowship can be attained, but usually with some special arrangements on the part of the Episcopalians which only reveal the chasm the arrangements seek to screen."

The repeal of the prohibition amendment, according to promises of the liquor people, would do away with unemployment and increase the income to farmers. The number of unemployed has increased and the income from farms has dropped.

Los Angeles has long been noted for its miscellaneous production of religious vagaries. And now a new church has been started in that municipality of "The Angels"; spell it angles if you like. This new excrescence is "The First Church of the American Legion"! Whether you like it or not, the ecclesiastical pattern has been cut.

Every now and then the old story becomes pertinent about the man who complained that his wife was always asking him for money, money. When asked what she did with it all, he said, "I ain't never give her none yet." Just now we hear that the Woman's College has made so many campaigns for its endowment. There's just one way to stop it: give the money.

Whether liquor advocates are fools or just common liars you may decide for yourself. Not one thing which they promised or predicted has been fulfilled. The Bible says: "And for this cause God sendeth them a working of error, that they should believe a lie: that they all might be damned who believe not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness," 2 Thess. 2:11, 12.

Little Hitler Hague of Jersey City no longer is able to declare "I am the law." It was indeed a bit of melodrama with a tinge of barbaric despotism which enabled the mayor of Jersey City to declare that no public meetings should be held or hand bills distributed but such as suited his ecclesiastical or tyrannical taste. But the Supreme Court of the United States put the little fellow in his place. Mayor Hague is a Catholic and had Catholic support in all his pretentious assumptions.

The efforts at uniting the Episcopal and the Northern Presbyterian Churches is giving some of the Episcopal brethren a decided case of nausea. They do not relish the playing down of apostolic succession in order to have the Presbyterians in. They say it looks like talking one way out of one side of your mouth and another way out of the other, to say to Presbyterians that that is a non-essential when they have said to the Eastern Orthodox Church, that we stand just where you stand on that question.

Dr. Arthur J. Barton, Chairman of the Social Service Commission, advises that he has sent a supply of the social service report, made to the Convention at Oklahoma City, to Secretary D. A. McCall, for distribution in our state. It is the purpose and desire that these reports shall have wide circulation. The Secretary will send many of them out to Moderators and Clerks of the Associations, to be used by the committees making reports on temperance and social service. They are for free distribution. Any and all persons desiring copies may secure them by writing to the Secretary.

It is a pleasure to pass on any good news that comes out of Berlin, for much of that which comes from Germany is of the other kind. An Associated Press dispatch of June 13 tells the world not only that the leader of the Nazi labor front and the youth leader had made an appeal to young people to abstain from the use of tobacco and alcoholic drinks, but also Field Marshal Goering is preaching abstinence from these hurtful drugs. In an appeal to the soldiers to conserve their health as a first duty, he says: "This duty demands far-going abstinence from alcohol and tobacco. Every soldier must know that the consumption of alcohol not only seriously damages the human body especially when it still is in its stage of development, but also reduces its efficiency," the order said. He added that "the days are gone in which intoxication was regarded as a special sign of manhood," and pointed out that "excessive use of tobacco" also was poison for a young body. There is said to be a noticeable decrease in the use of both tobacco and alcohol.

Calhoun City: We are in the midst of our Vacation Bible School, which started, June 2. The attendance has been excellent and the work accomplished has been of the best. The Calhoun City Baptist Church gives a large place to the Vacation Bible School each year.—J. W. T. Siler, Pastor.

The Old Spanish Inquisition has returned for all practical purposes. Since Franco with his legions from Morocco, Italy and Germany subdued the Spaniards who fought for the Republic it is said that an average of 300 a day are being massacred by the military courts set up under the new regime. An appeal was made to the pope to secure clemency for these people, but none was received, and Catholics expressed indignation that clemency should even be asked. Religious persecutors are murderers at heart, and this war in Spain has been supported by Catholics as a war to protect the faith. The Pope recently commended Franco's soldiers as defenders of the Catholic faith.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Lee of Batesville will on June 26 celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary. A "golden wedding" is a rare event, and the friends of this beloved couple will rejoice with them that the blessing of the Lord has been upon their united service for this half century. To them it does not seem so long a time because of the love they have for each other. God has been good to them and they have been faithful to Him. During these years Dr. Lee has been faithful in service as a pastor in Mississippi, and in every trust committed to him by the Baptists of the state. Not many others have so many friends, or so devoted friends. He was born in Jasper County, educated at Mississippi College and at the Louisville Seminary. He loves God, loves souls and is zealous for the truth. Mrs. Lee has proved herself worthy of the best traditions as a preacher's wife and a mother. Blessings on them from this time and forever more.

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WHY I AM THE KIND OF BAPTIST I AM

By John D. Freeman, Jr.

(Continued From Last Week)

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VI. Co-operating Baptist.

There is no other kind who can be true to the example and precepts of Jesus and function as a real missionary. From the beginning of God's direct relation with His people, down to the end of the ministry of the Apostles, there was never a God-approved plan of work except that of co-operation. Throughout the New Testament we are continually reminded that we are laborers together with God (1 Cor. 3:9; 2 Cor. 6:1 etc.); that we are to be at peace with all men (2 Cor. 13:11; 1 Thess. 5:13), that we are to bear one another's burdens (Gal. 6:2); that the strong are to bear the infirmities of the weak (Rom. 15:1); that each is to labor according to the talent he possesses and to give according as God hath prospered him (Matt. 25; 1 Cor. 16:1, 2). To obey the will of Christ and carry the gospel to all the world is utterly impossible without unified cooperative effort.

The striking figure of speech, used by Paul to describe a church (1 Cor. 12), brings fully into view the relationship that the Master expects among the members of His Churches. The human body is a mass of co-operating members, all subject to the mind or head. Each has its special function and never seeks to evade it or to interfere with the functions of another. That body fights as a unit against its enemies. If one member suffers, all suffer. The strength of one is transmitted to the others. Even so, in a body of Christ (and every true Church is a body of Christ (1 Cor. 12:27; Eph. 5:30), there should be such distribution of labor, such perfect coordination of members, such harmony and love, that there may be perfect unity and strength among us. Since Jesus Christ alone is the head of each church, all order and harmony must come through self-abnegation and studied subjection to the will of that Head.

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By A. L. GOODRICH
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Thursday, June 22, 1939

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager
Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b, "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profit—may appear to ALL."
Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

A Sequel to That Football Story

You recently read about the boy kicking a football into the neighbor's chicken yard. The master called the hens to view the ball, and said, "I'm not complaining but I just want you to see the size of the eggs laid by the hens in the next yard."
Last week Rev. E. D. Estes came in and gave a list of 42 subscriptions that he had secured at recent meetings.

In the last few weeks he has turned in 87 subscriptions secured in revival meeting. Now read the paragraph about the football.
A thousand revivals will be held in Mississippi this summer. If each preacher would take just a few minutes to urge people to subscribe to the Record, we'd have a circulation of 20,000 before September 1. Preacher, help us.

More Every Family Churches

Nearly 400 churches have adopted the E F Plan for widening the circulation of The Baptist Record. Hardly a day passes that some church doesn't send in its list. Among the recent ones are: Berea Church, Itawamba County; Antioch Church, Itawamba; Fairview Church, Itawamba; Louin Church, J. E. Wills, Pastor; Montrose, Shelton, Jones County; Pine Grove, Fellowship, Lauderdale; Freeny, J. L. Moore, Leake; New Zion Church, J. L. Moore, Leake; New Salem, Lowndes; Amory, J. F. Measells; Aberdeen, J. M. Walker; Cherry Creek, G. G. West; Pea Ridge, Scott, J. L. Moore; Shiloh, Simpson, D. W. Moulder; Antioch, Alcorn; Shiloh, Alcorn; County Line, Alcorn; Hickory Flat, Jas. B. Parker; Pittsboro, C. H. Elard; New Salem, Carrollton, W. F. Garner; N. Carrollton Church; Strong Hope, T. W. Green, Copiah; Georgetown, O. O. Hailey; Stonewall, A. A. Fortner; Ora, Covington, J. R. Rogers; New Hope, Covington; Macedonia, Forrest; Perry, Carey Fox; Daniels, Rev. J. S. Deaton; Magee, Rev. G. O. Parker; Philip, Iuka, R. E. Tate; Mt. Gilead, Union; Liberty, Winston; Immanuel Church, C. C. Weaver; Anding Church, D. I. Young.

Bentonia

We had the pleasure of spending a few nights at Bentonia teaching BUILDING A STANDARD. S. S. Dr. A. A. Kitchings is the pastor and he had planned well and wisely for the work. A census, under the direction of Prof. Cooper had been taken, tabulated and classified. The number of workers was increased from 9 to 30 and from an average of about 40 the attendance has gone well over the 100 mark.

We didn't mention The Baptist Record. There was no use. Almost everybody in Bentonia gets it. Baptist Record circulation in Yazoo County is listed as follows: BENTONIA 34; EDEN 13; BLACK JACK 18; Sartartia; ANDING 17; Yazoo City 14 and 1 R.F.D.; Providence 1; Shiloh 2; Valley 2; Phoenix 1; HOLLY BLUFF 27.

MOTHER AND CHILD

"Suppose such-and-such a minister to be the means of your calling; then your conversion, in some sense, though not absolutely, depends upon him. So it often happens, that the salvation of God's mightiest servants depends upon the conversion of little ones. There is a poor mother; no one ever knows anything about her; she goes to the house of God; her name is not in the news-

SPURGEON ON PREACHING AND PREACHERS

Spurgeon Knew Him

"I knew a man, a good minister of Jesus Christ he is now, and I believe he was before he turned aside unto heresy—he began to doubt the glorious divinity of our blessed Lord, and for years did he preach the heterodox doctrine, until one day he happened to hear a very eccentric old minister preaching from the text, "But there the glorious Lord shall be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams, wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby. Thy tacklings are loosed: they could not well strengthen their mast, they could not spread the sail." "Now," said the old minister, "you give up the Trinity, and your tacklings are loosed, you cannot strengthen your masts. Once give up the doctrine of three persons, and your tacklings are all gone; your mast, which ought to be a support to your vessel, is a rickety one, and shakes." A gospel without a Trinity!—it is a pyramid built upon its apex. A gospel without the Trinity!—it is a rope of sand that cannot hold together. A gospel without the Trinity!—then, indeed, Satan can overturn it. But, give me a gospel with the Trinity, and the might of hell cannot prevail against it; no man can any more overthrow it, than a bubble could split a rock, or a feather break in halves a mountain. Get the thought of the three persons, and you have the marrow of all divinity. Only know the Father, and know the Son, and know the Holy Ghost to be One, and all things will appear clear. This is the golden key to the secrets of nature; this is the silken clue of the labyrinths of mystery, and he who understands this, will soon understand as much as mortals e'er can know."

The Visiting Minister

"A minister of Christ, who was always in the habit of visiting those whom he knew to be eminent for piety, in order that he might learn from them, called upon an aged Christian who had been distinguished for his holiness. To his great surprise, however, when he sat down by his bedside, the aged man said, "Ah! I have lost my way. I did think at one time that I was a child of God, now I find that I have been a stumbling-block to others; for these forty years I have deceived the church and deceived myself, and now I discover that I am a lost soul." The minister very wisely said to him, "Ah! then I suppose you like the song of the drunkard, and you are very fond of the amusements of the world, and delight in profanity and sin?" "Ah! no," said he, "I cannot bear them; I could not endure to sin against God." "O then," said the minister, "then it is not at all likely that God will lock you up in hell with men that you cannot bear here. If now you hate sin, depend on it God will not shut you up forever with sinners. But, my brother," said the minister, "tell me what has brought you into such a distressed state of mind?" "O sir," said he, "it was looking away from the God of providence, to myself. I had managed to save about one hundred pounds, and I have been lying here ill now this last six months, and I was thinking that my one hundred pounds would soon be spent, and then what should I do. I think I shall have to go to the workhouse, I have no friend to take care of me, and I have been thinking about that one hundred pounds of mine. I knew it would soon be gone, and then,

papers, or anywhere else; she teaches her child, and brings him up in the fear of God; she prays for that boy; she wrestles with God, and her tears and prayers mingle together. The boy grows up. What is he? A missionary—a William Knibb—a Moffat—a Williams. But you do not hear anything about the mother. Ah! but if the mother had not been saved, where would the boy have been? Let this cheer the little ones; and may you rejoice that he will nourish and cherish you, though you are like bruised reeds and smoking flax."

then, how could the Lord provide for me. I never had either doubt or fear till I began to think about temporal matters. The time was when I could leave all that with God. If I had not had one hundred pounds, I should have felt quite sure he would provide for me; but I begin to think now that I cannot provide for myself. The moment I think of that, my heart is darkened." The minister then led him away from all trust in an arm of flesh, and told him his dependence for bread and water was not on his one hundred pounds, but on the God who is the possessor of heaven and earth—that as for his bread being given him and his water being sure, God would take care of that, for in so doing he would only be fulfilling his promise. The poor man was enabled in the matter of providence to cast himself entirely upon God, and then his doubts and fears subsided, and once more he began to walk the sea of trouble, and did not sink. O believer, if thou takest thy business into thine own hands, thou wilt soon be in trouble. The old Puritan said, "He that carves for himself will soon cut his fingers," and I believe it. There never was a man who began to take his own matters out of God's hand that was not glad enough to take them back again. He that runs before the cloud runs a fool's errand. If we leave all our matters, temporal as well as spiritual, in the hand of God, we shall lack no good thing; and what is better still, we shall have no care, no trouble, no thought; we shall cast all our burden upon him for he careth for us. There is no need for two to care, for God to care and the creature too. If the Creator cares for us, then the creature may sing all day long with joy and gladness:—"Mortals cease from toil and sorrow, God provideth for the morrow."

The Lord's Battle

"Oh! I think it must have been some honor to the old soldier, who stood by the Iron Duke in his battles, to be able to say, "We fight under the good old Duke, who has won so many battles: and when he wins, part of the honor will be ours." Christian, thou fightest side by side with Jesus; Christ is with thee; every blow is a blow aimed at Christ; every slander is a slander on Christ; the battle is the Lord's; the triumph is the Lord's; therefore, still on to victory."

HEAVEN'S POOREST BETTER THAN EARTH'S BEST

By Rev. H. V. Andrews

The world has its mansions of comfort,
Of grandeur, of marvelous worth;
But the poorest of dwellings in heaven
Is grander than all of the earth.
Then let my abode be in heaven;
Its comfort and rest may I know;
When the toils of the road are all ended
In peace there to dwell may I go.

The world has its halls for the famous;
Great names for the noble of birth;
But a name that is written in heaven
Is greater than all of the earth.
Then let my abode be in heaven;
My name may its Ruler declare;
May I hear His "well done, good and faithful";
The crown of the race may I wear.

The world has its sport and its pleasure;
It revels in feasting and mirth;
But the joy of redeemed ones in heaven
Excels all the joys of the earth.
Then let my abode be in heaven;
The joy of that city be mine;
My drink be its river of pleasure,
And on its fair fruits may I dine.

The world has its gold and its treasure;
Possessions of fabulous worth;
But the poorest of saints will be richer
Than the richest of men of the earth.
Then let my abode be in heaven
Where even the streets are of gold;
Its walls are of gems like the jasper;
Its dwellings and men grow not old.

EDITORIALS

THE HOLY SPIRIT AT JESUS' BAPTISM

All the four gospels mention the coming of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus at his baptism. It was too important a matter to be overlooked by any one of them. We read from the account in Luke: "Now it came to pass when all the people were baptized, that, Jesus also having been baptized and praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended in a bodily form, as a dove, upon him, and a voice came out of heaven, 'Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.'"

Jesus had been for thirty years undergoing preparation for his ministry, and the time is now come for him to enter upon his public ministry and assume full responsibility for the office of his messiahship. This he does by accepting the obligation to fulfill any and every obligation that any other man undertakes, and being equipped in the same way that any other man is equipped for his life work. Son of God that he is he meets life's obligations in the same way that every one of us must meet them.

So he comes the long distance from Nazareth to the Jordan in Judea to John to be baptized of him. He overcomes the reluctance of John and is buried in the waters of the Jordan. He rises praying, and as he prays, the heavens are opened, and the Spirit of God, assuming the bodily form of a dove, descends on him, and abode on him. And the Father's voice of commendation speaks approval and certification of him as the Son of God. Probably only Jesus and John saw the dove descend.

Here are some of the lessons from this crucial hour of Jesus' experience. First we cannot overlook the fact that here the three persons of the divine trinity were for the first time clearly manifested. In the Old Testament the Spirit of God is several times mentioned. Also the Son is mentioned. So that there is no shock here when the three are spoken of in the same sentence. These people are all Jews; they are all monotheists; that is they believe in One God. They were accustomed to repeat the words from Sinai, "Hear O Israel; I the Lord thy God am one Lord." But they were not shocked nor offended by this mention of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in such a way as to make it plain that the three persons are one God. No other conception of God will satisfy the claims of the New Testament, or will so well fit the facts recorded in the Old Testament.

Here are also some specific teachings from this coming of the Holy Spirit on the Lord Jesus. It was God's certificate of his messianic mission. The word Messiah, like the word Christ, means anointed. That means that he is specially endowed with the Holy Spirit, and his mission was to be fulfilled in the power of the Holy Spirit. To John the Baptist it had been said, "Upon whomsoever thou shalt see the Holy Spirit descending and abiding upon him, the same is he that baptizeth in the Holy Spirit. And just as Jesus had his mission certified by the Spirit of God, so every Christian has his service certified in the same way.

Beside its being a certification to others, this coming of the Holy Spirit on Jesus was necessary to give Him the assurance of his sonship and His divine commission. The Holy Spirit is not only a seal to be seen by others, but is the heavenly witness in the soul of the Christian. By this we know that we are children of God by the Spirit which he has given us. The Spirit beareth witness with our spirits that we are the Children of God. In all this as it was with Jesus so it is with us. The devil said to him, "If thou art the Son of God," and he will raise the same question with us. In such a time and in all times we need the witness of the Spirit.

Another reason for the coming of the Spirit was to show the approval of God upon specific acts of obedience. He gives the Holy Spirit to

them that obey him. Jesus said, "Thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness, and when he had obeyed, the Spirit of God came upon Him. Jesus said, 'If ye love me ye will keep my commandments; and I will pray the Father and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may be with you forever, even the spirit of truth.'"

Finally, one purpose of the coming of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism, was to endue Him for the work which he had come to do. That is what an anointing is for. It is the coming of the Spirit of God upon his appointed representative to enable him to fulfill his mission. In this Jesus was not different from us. He was an example. The work which he did and which we are called to do was not to be done and could not be done in human wisdom and strength. "It is not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit saith the Lord." All the ministry of Jesus was performed in the Spirit of God. And ours must be.

BOOKS

The following books have been received and are worthy of a place in the libraries and homes:

"A Modern School of the Prophets," by Dr. L. Scarborough, is a history of the inception and growth of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. It is a history inspiring and worth preserving. Published by the Broadman Press.

"Electricity And Christianity," by Crump J. Strickland, published by the Elizabeth Pub. Co., Charlotte, N. C. It gives many parallels between religion and electricity.

"Happiness," by the same author and publisher. Many helpful suggestions in a small paper bound booklet.

Here is a handful of booklets from the Zondervan Pub. Co.: "Heaven, a Better Country," by C. F. Waigle; "A Deck of Cards," by the same author; "The Way of the Cross," by the same; "Listen Girls," by the same; and "Quit Worrying," ditto. Each 20c.

Here's a book of sermons, "The Lights and Shadows of Life," by Oscar R. Mangum of Kansas City. Published by Broadman Press.

"Scaling the Heights With Paul," by M. E. Ramay of Edwence, Okla. He preaches on select passages from Paul's letters. This book is in the dollar series, published by Wm. B. Eerdmans.

"The Holy Spirit," by B. H. Carroll, edited by J. B. Cranfill. Like everything by Carroll is worth having. Published by Zondervan Pub. House; price \$1.50.

Another from Zondervan is "Sermon Seed in the Psalms," by A. MacFadyen, a Baptist of Edinburgh; price \$1.00.

"If He Should Fail," is a book of sermons by Chester M. Savage, First Baptist Church, Hallsville, Texas; published by Zondervan; price \$1.00.

"Out of the Wilderness," is another Zondervan book, written by John Carrara, evangelist; also \$1.00.

Problem Sermons for Young People, by J. T. Mueller, is published by Zondervan; price \$1.00.

Two booklets published by Zondervans are "Seed Thoughts for Sowers," by A. MacFadyen; 35c; and "Revival, Why? How? When?" by A. MacFadyen, price 25c.

Pastor G. O. Parker writes from Magee that the meeting just closed was one of the best they ever had. The Lord was present in grace and power. Rev. A. B. Pierce of Crystal Springs brought messages which were Biblical, clear and forceful. He is a preacher of unusual power and earnestness. Prof. Vernon May, a member at Magee and teacher in the High School, led the singing to the delight of all. The church was revived and other good results are sure to follow. There were 20 for baptism and six by letter.

O'Zion Church revival meeting will begin the third Sunday in July. We are praying for a great revival.—J. L. Holland, Meadville, Pastor.

Those going to the Mississippi Baptist Assembly July 3-9 should take with them sheets, pillow cases, towels, pillows and soap.

The church at Moorhead last Sunday extended a call to Rev. L. E. McGowan to become their pastor, and believe he will accept.

Magee Church had a good Vacation Bible School May 22-June 2; enrollment 139; average attendance 106; closing with a program and exhibition of handwork in wood work, needle work, painting, etc.

Pastor Deaton rejoices in three conversions last Sunday in Daniels Church, near Jackson, Highway 51.

Last Friday night the commencement exercises for the Vacation Bible School were held at First Church, Columbus, the fourth annual school. There was a fine exhibit of hand work, done by Primaries, Juniors and Beginners. They also presented an excellent program. There were 250 pupils and a faculty of 35. Pastor's Assistant Jack Perkins had a large share in the work.

Pastor S. E. Nix is happy over a great meeting in the church at Kreole in which he was assisted by Rev. D. W. Nix of Ft. Worth, Texas. There were 21 professions of faith and two received by letter. In the past month 26 have been baptized and 29 this year. On Sunday, June 18 brother S. E. Nix began a meeting at Red Creek Union, near Vancleave, assisting Pastor G. E. Moore. He asks for your prayers.

Pastor Blanding S. Vaughn writes of a gracious young people's revival in Southside Church, Meridian. Rev. Theophilus Engell preached and Mr. Jesse L. Boyd, Jr., led the singing. Both proved efficient helpers. The young people were greatly revived. Twelve were added to the church on profession of faith and one by letter. Brother Engell has just begun his pastorate at Money and Schlater, two half time churches in the Delta. Mr. Boyd is a student in Mississippi College.

Pastor C. L. McKay says the Crystal Springs Church, Walthall County, grew until the building had to be enlarged. The old building was converted into Sunday school rooms and a new auditorium was built. It is now completed and painted inside and out. The people got the vision and responded to it. They are growing in numbers and in grace and have a mind to work. One hundred new chairs were bought to equip the rooms. There were 130 in Sunday school. They are still looking ahead.

We would probably all agree that faith is the acceptance fully and without question of what the Lord says, dependence upon his word as true, belief that what he teaches is right and wise, and that the following of it will bring us good and good only. Then let us test ourselves on this saying of his and see if we really believe what he says: "Sell that which ye have and give alms; make for yourselves purses which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens which faileth not, where no thief draweth near, neither moth destroyeth. For where your treasure is there will your heart be also." This is the word of Jesus as found in Luke 12:34. Do you believe Him?

Jesus often used the argumentum ad hominem. He turned the question back to the people who asked it; or he made them see that their criticism of him really condemned them. So when they objected that he received sinners and ate with them, he said, "What man of you." He said you act in the same way. Only you do it for sheep and I do it for men. You are interested in sheep; I am interested in people. If a sheep gets lost you are greatly disturbed. If a man gets lost you let him go, or turn against him. People are queer, they become very compassionate and solicitous about an animal in trouble. But if a human being is in trouble, they abandon him. Not so with God; not so with Jesus; not so with a Christian. Lost souls are their greatest concern. The true shepherd will "go after that which is lost, until he find it." More like the Master, may we ever be.

Encouraging reports of the progress of the Woman's College. One pastor has another pastor hired. Not only does the Endowment state that it would like to give state workers did. As the state workers, not all have been seen, even given or promised. It is expected that state workers will be hired. Just yesterday a conference in Meridian, Monday to line up every county. Dr. T. Avenue Baptist Convention Board, enthusiastic support. Education Committee and is expected to be a County Campaign. Speaking of "To Me", Miss said: "I think me three of them know that I am acquaintances, or store of knowledge. Equally as a son of Laurel taught me how and how to fellowships found at any. Although for student of Weeks said, to realize the SCHOOL IS TO PREPARE WORK IN THE a University ed blessings never be found and a non-C Speaking an's College Miss., said, been a source and has left. Prentiss: tress June the preach prayers. Co throughout pouring of us in pray bers have richly ble conscious so we are falling, but just close School week we Book We school w it was ou of Laure taught t be felt a very p of the t for Bap every ch for his

WOMAN'S COLLEGE ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

Encouraging reports are coming in concerning the progress of the Endowment Campaign for Woman's College.

One pastor has given his promise of \$1,000, another pastor his note for \$100 and several other one and two hundred dollar gifts.

Not only does charity begin at home, but also the Endowment Campaign. The directors felt that it would be useless to ask people over the state to give to the campaign unless the state workers did likewise.

As the state workers are scattered over the state, not all have been seen, but every office worker seen, every field worker and secretary has given or promised to give. In a few days it is expected that the state office force and the state workers will be reported 100% in on the Woman's College Campaign.

Just yesterday a Woman's College freshman sent in her contribution to the Endowment Campaign.

A conference with local pastors was held in Meridian, Monday, June 19. Plans were made to line up every one possible in Lauderdale County. Dr. T. M. Fleming, pastor of the 15th Avenue Baptist Church, member of the Convention Board, the Executive Committee and enthusiastic supporter of Woman's College on the Education Commission, arranged for the meeting and is expected to help in the Lauderdale County Campaign.

Speaking of "What Woman's College Means To Me", Miss Josephine Styles of Brooksville, said: "I think that Woman's College has given me three of the happiest years of my life! I know that I shall never forget the friendships, acquaintances, experiences and fun, plus a 'greater store of knowledge' that she has given me."

Equally as enthusiastic was Miss Lucile Pearson of Laurel, who said, "Woman's College has taught me how to cooperate more with people and how to understand people better. You get fellowships at this school that can never be found at any other school."

Although from Port Neches, Texas, and former student of a state university, Miss Ruth Weeks said, "Woman's College has caused me to realize that an education IN A RELIGIOUS SCHOOL IS THE HIGHEST TYPE IN ORDER TO PREPARE ONE FOR HER FIELD OF WORK IN THE FUTURE. As a transfer from a University, I have experienced things, obtained blessings and made friendships that could never be found on a great university campus and a non-Christian school."

Speaking of the spiritual atmosphere at Woman's College, Miss Margaret Montgomery, Laurel, Miss., said, "Mississippi Woman's College has been a source of strength and inspiration to me and has lifted me higher toward my Savior."

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Prentiss: Our annual revival begins in Prentiss June 25 with brother D. A. McCall doing the preaching. We covet an interest in your prayers. Cottage prayer meetings are being held throughout the town. We are praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our people. Join us in prayer. Since November 1 fifty new members have been added to our church. God has richly blessed our efforts, but we are keenly conscious of the great work yet to be done; so we are singing, "Mercy-drops round us are falling, but for the showers we plead." We have just closed a very successful Vacation Bible School with ninety enrolled. During the first week we had a training course, studying The Book We Teach. The average attendance of the school was seventy-eight. In the early spring it was our good fortune to have Dr. L. G. Gates of Laurel with us in a stewardship revival. He taught the book of Malachi. His influence will be felt for a long time in this church. It was a very profitable week. More than seventy signed the tithing book. It would be a glorious day for Baptists if this great leader could go into every church for a similar week. We thank God for his coming.—W. L. Holcomb.

TRUE WORSHIPERS
By Ernest O. Sellers

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There is today a renewed interest in the subject of worship. New books, articles in the press and the frequency and ease with which one hears the matter discussed by Christian workers indicates a revival of thought along this line.

The history of worship, pagan and Christian, shows how easy it is to substitute the form for the fact, the act for the aspiration. Divine worship is much deeper than mere respect, reverence or honor, though it cannot exist without these. Only spirit-born ones can render God fully acceptable worship. Nicodemus was doubtless a deeply religious man but evidently was lacking in divine life (John 3:3).

True worship is a spirit relation between God and man. Man's acts, in his public expression of such relations, are spontaneous. Such acts are not conditioned upon time nor place. Yet it is true that our worship is deeply affected, aided or hindered, by our contacts with others.

God, seeking worshipers, does not send us to a mountain, a certain city, to unite in a certain creed, use a prescribed vocabulary nor to a particular denomination or ecclesiastical order. "True worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth."

Without this new birth the worship offered in American churches, of whatever name or order, is no more acceptable to God than that offered in Buddhist, Mohammed, Hindu or Brahmin temples or that heard in animistic, heathen or pagan rites and ceremonies.

Those who follow a "free" order of public service are handicapped by an all too common lack of reverence in our assemblies. We are convinced that clergymen, Sunday school teachers, parents, in fact all Christian workers and leaders should set themselves to the task of arousing an apprehension, creating a better understanding and a clearer comprehension of the purpose which causes us to assemble, what worship involves and how to conduct it properly and effectively.

Our assemblies are not the place, primarily, where we go for the purpose of getting something. While of the greatest help, still acceptable worship does not depend upon the charm of a song, the eloquence of a preacher nor our experiencing some emotional sensation. The sermon is most important but it is not the whole. Without worshipful hearers the best sermon will accomplish but little.

We welcome this renewed interest. It will stimulate thought upon a most important subject. Those who are responsible will seek to know the deep urges that cause men to desire to worship. They will prayerfully study each item of their orders of service and more reverently follow them. They will not be confused by symbolism and entertainment on one hand nor on the other be deceived into calling confusion, indefiniteness and disorder spiritual leadership. —The Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, La.

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Sunday night the commencement of the two weeks' Vacation Bible School was held in the Clinton Church. It was an hour of genuine worship, participated in by the young people from the "beginners on up," led by the pastor and by those who had worked faithfully in the training of the young people. At the close of the service the large congregation was permitted to inspect the hand work produced by the various classes.

Brother E. Y. Soileau, pastor at Catchings, was called to Dayton, Texas recently to be at the bed side of his mother who is not expected to live. Our prayers are with him, the aged father, and other members of the family during these hours.—V. C.

Hear anybody complaining about the weather? It does seem that in some places there is threat of a short crop. But is not that what the government is trying to do and has been doing for the past five years? Are we to complain when the Lord does what we have praised the government for doing?

OUR LORD'S MONEY

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In the April 13, 1939 issue of the Record is a list of churches by Associations that have contributed monies through the office of the Board. According to our count there are only seven hundred and twenty-seven of the more than fifteen hundred churches of the Convention on this list.

In observing the statistical table of the average Associational minute it is not unusual to see the following, "Pastor's salary \$ so & so for minutes \$1.00" and that is all.

In not a few of these non-contributing churches the main source of trouble is its officers. In first Samuel 2:12-17, it says the sons of Eli were the sons of the devil, that they knew not the Lord. They said their portion of the offering was not sufficient and they took more. That they made men "abhor the offering of the Lord." Again in John 2:14-16, we find what should have been a house of prayer had to be cleaned. There evidently must be churches today that sorely need the scourge.

The church is greatly handicapped where its pastor is so greedy till he feels that by rights he should have all or at least most of the money raised by the church. And still further where its deacons do not see farther than the local church, and that not any too often.

The free will offerings of the people when the church is right, will be sufficient for every need. The people should be kept informed about what they are doing financially. For this purpose a black-board conspicuously located in the auditorium is helpful. List the amount received by each cause which is supported by the church. Always keep the figures up to date.

In many of our country churches there are no fixed costs of any kind. Why not have these churches adopt a plan similar to the co-operative program. Possibly as a beginning give the pastor 62%, co-operative program 18%, Sunday school 13% and for incidentals 7%. Use the plan best suited to the church for raising the money. We suggest a collection at each session of Sunday school and at each preaching service, same to be divided each month on the above basis.

If this plan or some modification of it does not suit why not offer a better one. Any amount given no matter how small is better than nothing.—W. S. Oswalt, Ackerman, Miss.

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Pastor G. O. Parker had Rev. A. B. Pearce of Crystal Springs with him for ten days at Magee. There were 26 additions, 20 of them by baptism, and the church edified. They were greatly pleased with the preaching of brother Pearce.

The editor had the pleasure of supplying for Pastor A. A. Ward at Tuscola Sunday. It is good to note the progress being made here, and it was good to have fellowship with them. We also enjoyed the hospitality of the Brooks home. Pastor Ward is spending two months at the Ft. Worth summer school.

Lake: We moved to Lake Thursday of last week and found a warm welcome, a newly repaired pastor's home and a nice shower of groceries. We will pastor Lake and Hickory. We also go to Springfield, 6 miles south of Morton on first and third Sunday afternoons and third Saturday morning. Our meeting begins here at Lake next Sunday, June 18. We are praying and asking you to join us that God will give us a great revival. The pastor will do the preaching and our own choir leader, Frank Brooks, will lead the singing.—L. G. Sansing, Pastor.

Rev. R. D. Pearson of Macon writes: I was with Pastor Bill Gardner and the good people of electric Mills in a meeting the past week. The Lord gave us a gracious revival. Bro. Gardner has a real pastor's heart. He is putting the strength of youth into the Master's work. Bro. Joe Allmon of Newton organized the young people and led them in a fine way, both in song and spiritual service. We found a most loyal group of consecrated people. The Lord gave us some twelve or fourteen in surrender to the Master.

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS," I Cor. 13:8b

"If my people, which are called by My Name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attend unto the prayer that is made in this place."—2 Chronicles 7:14-15.

Several friends have come with fears about a heavy cash campaign so early in this administration. One does not have to be smart to know we would not prefer such a Campaign now. We never precipitated a large financial campaign the first year of a pastorate. Every fellow to his own method.

We believe in laying foundations, making abundant preparations, planning largely in His work. It pays. It worked in the pastorate.

However, an emergency existed in one of our institutions, set up by our Convention. The Campaign was launched on an emergency basis accordingly.

We were charged with helping direct the Campaign—sharing this with a co-director. Brother Goodrich stepped in here and has rendered valiant service. He has been given rather free hand in publicity and in putting on the Campaign. College authorities have also been co-operative.

We went after some of the best friends Woman's College had for field workers, as Rev. E. S. Sumrall, Bay Springs; Rev. W. A. Greene, Waynesboro; Rev. L. E. Green, Poplarville; Rev. W. L. Holcomb, Prentiss; Rev. D. A. Hogan, Purvis; Mr. J. E. Sweaney, Kosciusko; Rev. H. T. McLaurin, Clinton; Rev. Joe Olander, Morgan City; Dr. Gaines Hightower, Hattiesburg, and others. Some accepted. Others could not accept.

We said from the start the response given these field men would determine the measure of success in the Campaign.

Your Secretary is in no sense an issue in this Campaign. We have not been in the habit of becoming an issue in our local church. If this Campaign succeeds—as it can easily do if folks get under it—it must be truthfully said the State officers had some small part in it.

If this Campaign fails—it will without persistent personal solicitation by field men and ready response on the part of those approached—it cannot be truthfully said these officers refused the appeal for help.

II

We learned valuable lessons from two Y.M.C.A. Secretaries during student days.

One came to the campus with a bang. Everyone knew when he arrived. He was in the parade for months. When he left the campus hardly anyone knew he was gone.

The other came to the campus quietly. Few of us knew he was there. He worked, studied, planned, prayed and contacted. When he left he was second in influence to none on that campus.

We expect receipts to be this year as last. We have had high days, and low days. Why should they vary so much?

If Mississippi Baptists will project and participate in a worthy busy perennial State-wide Program, we will stake life itself on God Almighty moving largely in the midst of His people.

We have seen a lazy, careless, divided church become a progressive, victorious church. We have seen it more than once right here in my Mississippi. Why and how? Answer, through prayer, personal work, preaching the Word and plan in His work.

Do you want to go on with God? We think you do! We believe you do!

III

Therefore, we are asking the State Evangelistic Committee to consider adding emphasis to some features of our work for the remainder of this year.

We are also asking them to shape plans at least in outline for 1940. It is not too early to do

this. Some Southern Baptist leaders met in Nashville last week to start plans for the same thing. We were invited.

It is known many farsighted pastors and churches plan their work in the Fall for the next year. We should have our plans ready for them to consider that they may not later have to rearrange plans due to our tardiness. This is born out of experience.

IV

The Texas Evangelistic Conference was very helpful and largely attended. Drs. Truett, Scarborough, Leavell, Campbell and others headlined the list of speakers.

It was a treat to be with this quartet of spiritual giants at dinner in the home of Dr. Scarborough.

Many courtesies were extended us. We saw Brethren Estes, Alliston, Shirley, Ward, etc., from Mississippi.

V

As you noticed in this column last week, Mississippi Baptists do very little in contributions for our Mississippi Baptist Hospital. They evidently patronize it very well.

Do you visit it when you come to the Capital City?

Mrs. K. Gilfoy is doing an admirable work as superintendent, backed by a loyal Board of Trustees, and ably assisted by a fine corps of nurses, etc.

VI

We are happy over our boys and girls at our Orphanage having better buildings and equipment. Brother Mize and his comrades in service are to be congratulated. Last year we opened our own pulpit to Brother Simmons for a message and an offering in support of this work. We included it in our own offerings.

VII

Do you wonder what we think of the Baptist Record? Well, when we came to a Jackson pastorate we paid from our pockets to send it to every home for some months. They kept it in all homes until the depression came along.

Again, on going to the Philadelphia pastorate we paid for it, sending it to every home for some months. They have kept it there until now.

We consider it a most profitable investment for the Kingdom.

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A PRONOUNCEMENT UPON RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

(Continued from Last Week)

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Today Baptists Feel Constrained To Declare Their Position

Since every session of the Congress considers legislation that raises the question as to the relation of the Federal Government to the institutions and the agencies of religion, and since recently many tendencies have appeared that involve the freedom of religion and conscience, and furthermore, since there are some state constitutions which do not have embodied in them the Bill of Rights of the Federal Constitution, Southern Baptists feel constrained to declare their position and their convictions.

The Trend Toward Paternalism

Today the trend of government, even in democratic countries, lies in the direction of greater centralization. The philanthropic activities of the churches within the United States are being taken over by the government. The defective, the indigent, and the dependent groups of our social order have long been supported from public funds. The greatest charity agency on earth today is our Federal Government. More and more the people are looking to the State to provide. As a nation we are becoming paternalistic. Efforts are now being made to place in the hands of the government the pensioning of those who are employed by the churches and the agencies that serve them; to grant to sectarian schools financial aid from tax-raised funds, and to support from public funds institutions that are established and managed by sectarian bodies.

Baptists Condemn the Union of Church and State

Baptists hold that the coercion of religious bodies through special taxes, the use of tax-

raised funds for sectarian schools, and the appropriation of public money to institutions created to extend the power and influence of a religious body, violate the spirit of the First Amendment and result in the union of State and Church.

Oppose Special Favors Extended to Any Ecclesiastical Body

We oppose the establishing of diplomatic relations with any ecclesiastical body, the extension of special courtesies by our government to any ecclesiastical official as such, and the employment of any of the branches of our national defense in connection with religious services that are held to honor any ecclesiastical leader. All such violations of principle must be resisted in their beginnings.

Citizens of Two Commonwealths

We acknowledge ourselves to be citizens of two commonwealths, one earthly, the United States, the other heavenly, the Kingdom of God, and we claim the right to be good citizens of both. We recognize the sovereignty of the State and we give allegiance to the State, but we cannot give to the State the control of our consciences. We must obey God rather than men.

The government resorts to coercion; we use persuasion. The government has authority over the acts of its citizens; we have to do with the motives. The business of the government is to make good laws; our business is to make good citizens who continue to demand the enactment of better laws, embodying higher and still higher ethical standards. The end of governmental administration is equal justice under law. The end of our endeavor is the establishment of the will of God in the hearts and institutions of men. If one of us accepts an office in the government, he recognizes it not only as a public trust, but also as a divine entrustment; for the powers that be are ordained of God. In a democracy like ours, it is possible to be a loyal American and a devoted Christian. This is true because religious liberty is an essential part of our fundamental law.

Defenders of Religious Liberty

Believing religious liberty to be not only an inalienable human right, but indispensable to human welfare, a Baptist must exercise himself to the utmost in the maintenance of absolute religious liberty for his Jewish neighbor, his Catholic neighbor, his Protestant neighbor, and for everybody else. Profoundly convinced that any deprivation of this right is a wrong to be challenged, Baptists condemn every form of compulsion in religion or restraint of the free consideration of the claims of religion.

We stand for a civil state, "with full liberty in religious concerns."

W. O. Carver
Rufus W. Weaver
J. B. Lawrence
W. W. Hamilton
W. T. Conner
J. Clyde Turner
Theo. F. Adams

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TELL THEM—IN JUNE

J. E. Dillard

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Wise pastors will preach on Christian Education in June—June 25.

Wise Sunday school superintendents will have a special Christian Education Day program in June—June 25 (see the Sunday School Builder).

Wise parents will plan to send their children to the right schools in the fall; they will plan for it in June. Wise pupils will thank God for Christian parents, preachers and teachers who talk Christian education to them in June.

We believe in education, especially in Christian education. We want our young people to have both education and religion; Jesus joined them together, let us not put them asunder.

Let's talk about our schools, and pray for our schools, and plan for our schools, and contribute to the support of our schools, and help those who want to go to school. Let's do it in June—Christian Education Day comes in June—June 25.

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Thursday, June 22, 1939

Kingdom News From Many Lands

CHARLES E. MADDRY, Executive Secretary

INABELLE C. COLEMAN, Publicity Secretary

FOR SALE: A TOKEN OF LOVE

Richmond, Virginia—(F.M.B.)—A little purple velvet box came to the Foreign Mission Board today. In the lid is the name of a jeweler of Louisville who, thirty years ago, sold his wares to the students at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Tucked down into the once white satin, now aged and mellowed to a soft ivory, is a clear, blue diamond, a quarter of a karat, perfect and sparkling. This token of love is for sale, because the little widowed missionary loves her mission field more than anything else in the world, and her mission station sorely needs some extra funds.

The message that came with this little package states that for years the widowed missionary has wanted to sell this ring for the Master's sake and for His work in a pagan land, but whenever the matter was brought before the family council, the daughter would weep and plead with her mother to save for her this love-gift of her beloved and faithful missionary father. The young son had also wished that he might keep it for his own unborn son to give his bonny bride some day in yonder years, but always he had consented to his mother's wishes.

But, now at last, the daughter also has surrendered this precious gift, and the little widow, clad in black, speaks very softly as she requests: "Please, I hope we can get at least \$100. I think he paid more even—perhaps \$135. He never would tell me exactly, but I am sure that it was more than \$100."

Jewelers today appraise this ring from \$40.00 to \$75.00. But diamonds cost less today than they did thirty years ago. And how can one appraise this diamond—the pledge-ring of love of a missionary student for his training school bride-to-be, clasping hands with him not only for life—but for life in a pagan land? This ring was even more. It was their token of love to God, as together they gave their lives to Him for the most difficult mission field in the world. They served together nearly three score years before his great, loving heart gave way under the strain and stress of demands beyond his ability to respond.

And now that little ring is for sale that the sad and lonely widow may give even more yet to the work that God entrusted to her and to him in their youth—For Sale: A Token of Love—(Inabelle Coleman, Box 1595, Richmond, Virginia.)

DAY DAWN IN YORUBA LAND

Goes Into Second Edition

Richmond, Virginia—(F.M.B.)—Day Dawn in Yoruba Land, new mission study book on Nigeria, Africa, by Dr. Charles E. Maddry, Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, has had a most gratifying reception among Southern Baptists. It went on sale at the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Oklahoma City, and the first edition has already been sold out, making it necessary to print a second edition immediately.

This story of Southern Baptist work in the Dark Continent was written by Dr. Maddry after he had visited the field, and besides giving a comprehensive history of the work in Nigeria, it relates many first hand experiences and human interest stories which give it a real appeal. No Southern Baptist who is interested in missions can afford not to read Day Dawn in Yoruba Land.

FREE PICTURE SHEET AND TRACT

Richmond, Virginia—(F.M.B.)—Special emphasis in mission study for 1939 is being placed

on the European countries. A large picture sheet of Southern Baptists' mission work in Europe and a new thirty-one page tract, Southern Baptists in Europe, are now available, free of charge, at the Foreign Mission Board headquarters. Kodak pictures depicting European scenes, people, and Baptist work may also be had for seven cents each. Order from Miss Mary M. Hunter, Box 1595, Richmond, Virginia.

The information conveyed by the poster sheet and tract is indispensable in the teaching of the three new mission study books on Europe, namely: *Believers and Builders in Europe*, by Mrs. Emma Parker Maddry; *Patricia of Rumania*, by Mrs. Emma Williams Gill; and *The World Friendship Room*, a compilation of stories by several missionaries.

UNIVERSITY OF SHANGHAI ELECTS

NEW PRESIDENT

Richmond, Virginia—(F.M.B.)—Word has been received by cable that on May 13 Mr. T. C. Van, Dean of the University of Shanghai, was elected President of this institution and Dr. T. C. Bau, Secretary of the Chekiang-Shanghai Baptist Convention, was made Chairman of the Board of Directors. The University of Shanghai had been without a president since April 7, 1938, when Dr. Herman C. E. Liu, who held that position, was shot and fatally wounded. Dr. Bau takes the place of Dr. John Y. Lee who died on April 20 of this year.

SPECIAL ISSUE OF THE COMMISSION

Richmond, Virginia—(F.M.B.)—The July, 1939, issue of *The Commission*, world missionary journal of Southern Baptists, will be a special fifty-six page edition featuring the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in Atlanta, July 22-28.

The cover, *Roll Call of the Nations*, a painting done specially for this number of *The Commission*, beautifully illustrates the verse, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." The inspiration from this picture would make the magazine worth while had it no other content.

The Baptist World Alliance issue will have many special features which include the Program of the Baptist World Alliance meeting, greetings from Southern Baptist leaders, messages from Southern Baptists' overseas representatives to the Atlanta Congress, and a large number of interesting, attractive pictures from the foreign fields and from Atlanta, as well as pictures of Baptist leaders at home and abroad.

Everyone who plans to attend the Baptist World Congress will want one of these magazines as a souvenir, and those who cannot go to Atlanta will want one in order that they may be informed about the meeting and also about some of those who are to be on the program. If you send in your subscription immediately, you will receive this special issue as your first number. The subscription price is fifty cents a year and should be sent at once to *The Commission*, Box 1595, Richmond, Virginia, if you want to get your name on the subscription list before the July number is put in the mail.

FOREIGN MISSION CONFERENCE

JULY 30—AUGUST 4

Richmond, Virginia—(F.M.B.)—For the past several years Foreign Mission Week at Ridgecrest, Southern Baptists' assembly grounds in the mountains of North Carolina, has been one of the most outstanding conferences held there each summer. The 1939 Foreign Mission Con-

ference gives promise of being the best one yet.

It will immediately follow the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in Atlanta, July 22-28, so it has been possible to secure many of the guest speakers and missionaries from overseas who will appear on the Alliance program. Some of these are: Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, London, England; Dr. Bela Udvarnoki, Budapest, Hungary; Rev. Luca Sezonov, Bucharest, Rumania; Dr. Manfred Ronchi, Rome, Italy; Rev. Honorio Espinoza, Chile; Rev. Samuel Vila, Spain; Dr. Djalma Cunha, Brazil; and numbers of the missionaries from all parts of the world.

Dr. R. S. Jones, the Foreign Mission Board's director of the program, urges everyone to make immediate hotel reservations by writing Manager Perry Morgan, Southern Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

CHINA'S WORST FAMINE

Richmond, Virginia—(F.M.B.)—The story of conditions in China has been crowded from the front pages of the newspapers by the turmoil in Europe, political conditions at home, and two great submarine tragedies. However, the suffering among the Chinese from war, famine, and flood continues and increases.

The latest bulletin of news from China sent out by the Church Committee for China Relief contains the following: "From somewhere in Anhwei comes the following urgent cry for help: 'I am writing in the name of the Hwaiyuan Famine Relief Committee . . . for funds to ALLEVIATE THE WORST FAMINE THAT ANY-ONE IN THIS AREA CAN REMEMBER . . . The people in Hwaiyuan are suffering more now than in 1931 for in that year they only suffered from flood and the water went down rather quickly. Also they did receive some supplementary harvest (soy beans) in the autumn. But this autumn they could neither sow nor reap and moreover many have been unable to sow their winter wheat in their fields even until now. And not only now do they suffer from flood but also from war and from bandits . . . Grain which they had stored up was lost by ravaging. Plundering is still very common. Many houses have been burned down. MANY PEOPLE HAVE NO FOOD TO EAT AND NO HOUSE TO LIVE IN.'"

Since Jan. 1, 1939, Southern Baptists have given \$12,114.00 to China relief for which the Foreign Board is constantly receiving letters of appreciation. Don't let the fact that the daily papers are carrying less news of China's devastation decrease your gifts to this most worthy cause. Any gift, no matter how small, is appreciated, and your little contribution may save the life and the soul of some suffering Chinese. Send all gifts to the Foreign Mission Board, Box 1595, Richmond, Virginia.

NEW MISSION STUDY BOOK FOR PRIMARIES

Richmond, Virginia—(F.M.B.)—The *World Friendship Room*, (price 35c) a compilation of five stories by several Southern Baptist missionaries to Europe has gone to the press and will soon be on sale in the Baptist Book Stores. Written specially for Primaries and Sunbeams, this book tells how three children transform their commonplace play room into a fascinating World Friendship Room. There, with many countries represented by flags, pictures, curios, toys, and handicraft, the children spend thrilling moments while Grandmother Missionary tells them true stories of the European countries in which she has lived.

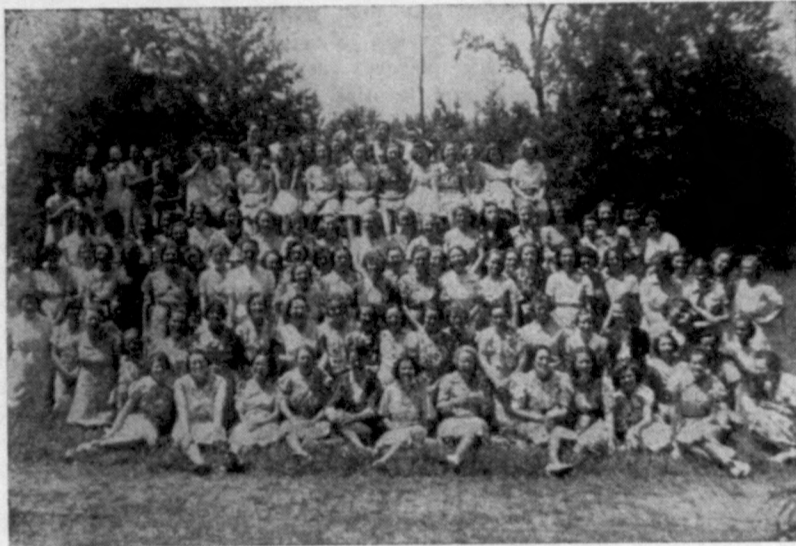
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By R. L. BRELAND

THE LORD'S WAY OF LIFE

Text: He that heareth my words
and believeth on Him that sent me,
hath eternal life, and shall not
come into condemnation, but it pass-
ed from death into life. John 5:24.

Christ here tells us the way of
life, plain and understandable.
Study it.

1. Must hear his words, the
gospel. Thus He tells us to go
teach all nations. Can't believe with-
out hearing. "Whosoever shall call
upon the name of the Lord shall
be saved, but how can they call
upon them in whom they have not
believed, and how can they hear
without a preacher." Rom. 10:15.

2. Must have faith in God, which
is faith in Christ, is essential,
nothing else. "By grace are ye saved
through faith." No works, no law
keeping, simple faith. Believe in
the Lord Jesus Christ and thou
shalt be saved. Acts 16:31.

3. Then comes eternal life, a gift
of God. "Hath eternal life." Not
life for a day, a year, but forever.
"Everlasting life." And you have
it the moment you believe.

4. The guarantee—"Shall not
come into condemnation. Sin and
death will never again have domi-
nion over the saved soul. Hallelujah!"

5. What happens—"passed from
death unto life." Gone from the
death realm and into the life realm.
No power anywhere can move you
back into death.

Sinner, think on these things and
"believe on the Lord Jesus Christ
and thou shalt be saved."

A letter from Mrs. Clyde Bre-
land brings the information that
Dr. Breland has accepted a call to
be pastor of Virginia Avenue Bap-
tist Church, Louisville, Ky., and is
already on the field.

A letter from Mr. and Mrs. Percy
Johnson and daughter, Janell, of
Coldwater, Neshoba County, brings
the sad intelligence of the death

of her father. But they send cheer-
ing news relative to the new church
building at Coldwater. Erection will
start soon.

The recent meeting of the North
Central Baptist Bible Study As-
sembly was held with Fellowship
Baptist Church, Choctaw County.
Luke 23:1 to 24:33 was the study.
The following were on for discus-
sion: J. F. Hartley, E. R. Hender-
son, J. B. Middleton, C. C. Bobo,
J. W. Hicks, Joel Dorroh, G. E.
Wiley.

A very much appreciated letter
came from the Pittsboro Baptist W.
M.S., written by the secretary, Mrs.
Bob Davis. It brings good wishes
and something more substantial.
The W.M.S. has 19 members. Mrs.
C. H. Ellard is president of this
faithful band of members.

The death of Rev. T. T. Martin
removes from earth to heaven one
of our most faithful evangelists.
Eternity alone will reveal the souls
he won to Christ during his long
and faithful ministry. May the Lord
comfort the bereaved.

Mrs. M. O. Gray writes from Big
Creek, Calhoun County. Though in
poor health herself, she sends words
of cheer. She says: "I am a mem-
ber of Shiloh Baptist Church, Rev.
J. W. Siler is our pastor. He is a
very fine man." This church is in
Grenada County and is known as
the "Provine Church." Brother Rob-
ert Provine and family were for
many years leading members.

Glad to note that Mississippi Bap-
tists are paying more into the
work of the Kingdom. Perhaps Sec-
retary McCall's plan of visiting the
various associations and holding
meetings with the leaders is help-
ful. When Baptists get the vision
they will respond. To get the vision
they must be contacted and inform-
ed. May the pastors and leaders
carry it back to the people.

The First Baptist Church, San
Antonio, Texas, dedicated its newly
completed Educational Building
June 4. It cost \$250,000 complete
and covers an entire city block,
said to be the largest building of
its kind in the world. Dr. Perry
Webb, preacher of the recent Con-
vention sermon, has been pastor for
three and one-half years. During
his ministry there have been 1,710
additions, 622 of them by baptism.
Dr. Webb seemingly is doing a
wonderful work.

A woman, pricing a hat, gasped
when told it was \$15.

"Why, there isn't anything on that
hat."

"You are paying for the re-
straint," the saleswoman replied
quietly.

The restaurant had taken fire and
Rastus ran for his life. After three
days he returned, and the boss said:
"Rastus, where have you been all
this time?"

"Ain't bin no place," was the re-
ply. "Bin comin' back."

Barber: "Well, my little man, and
how would you like to have your
hair cut?"

Fred (aged six): "If you please,
sir, just like father's, and don't for-
get the little round hole at the top
where the head comes through."

FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING



REV. JOHN THOMPSON

By W. F. Coleman, Hickory Flat,
Miss.

Among the first pastors that I
can remember at the old Mt. Pleas-
ant Baptist Church is the Rev. John
Thompson. Just a small boy at the
time, I can remember very vividly
some of the good things about this
beloved old character.

Among some of the things I can
remember the old songs that he
used to sing: Who Shall Be Able
To Stand; God, My God Is A Refuge
To My Soul and a number of others.

Brother Thompson was born in
Liecester, England in 1876. At the
age of 16 years he persuaded his
parents to let him come to the
United States; which at first, they
would not consent. He came to an
uncle who resided near Oxford,
Miss.; and there engaged in farm-
ing. He professed religion and was
baptized and in September, 1883,
was licensed to preach by the New
Hope Church in Lafayette county.
He preached and studied, and pas-
tored country churches in that com-
munity. He served north Missis-
sippi churches, among these were
Byhalia, Myrtle, Holly Springs,
New Albany and Wallersville in
1905. He later moved to South Mis-
sissippi with his family and served
different churches at that location,
among which was Meridian.

During his pastorate at Waller-
ville, or rather before his accept-
ance as pastor, the church mem-
bership had become divided over the
"wine" question of the Lord's Sup-
per and it was about to cause a
division. The congregation called
brother Thompson. Under conditions
of such division, he refused at first.
The late and well known and be-
loved Clarence Cullens, a devout
member and church official, said in
a conference one evening, "Brother
Thompson, I believe that you can
bring peace." He accepted the pas-
torate of the church and settled the
wine question once and for all time.
During his pastorate at Wallersville,
many were led to Christ and added
to the church membership.

At present brother Thompson has
retired from the ministry pending
an illness from which he has not as
yet sufficiently recovered. Being
near 80 years now, he hopes again

to preach the blessed message which
he loves so dearly.

The writer has always admired
brother Thompson. I remember his
sincerity, his earnest, faithful serv-
ice with the membership of the old
church. How he gracefully and
spiritually led the old gospel songs
in older days; his influence and
work has helped me as well as
many others to think along the
better ways of living and know that
there is a God of Salvation.

May God richly bless this great
humble servant and bring back his
health and spare him yet for other
work of the Kingdom.

S. S. ATTENDANCE JUNE 18, 1939

Jackson Calvary Church	836
Jackson Davis Mem. Church	229
Jackson Griffith Church	592
Jackson Daniels Church	120
Shelton Church (Jones Co.)	130
Glenfield (Union Co.)	71
West Laurel Church	500
Crystal Springs	243
Brookhaven Church	487
New Albany Church	367
Utica Church	129
Meridian First Church	605
Centreville Church	89
Oloh Church (Covington Co.)	130
Columbus First Church	544
Beulah Church (Simpson Co.)	106
Electric Mills	78

B.T.U. ATTENDANCE JUNE 18

Jackson Griffith Memorial	222
Jackson Davis Memorial	106
Jackson Calvary Church	110
Jackson Daniels Church	56
Beulah Church (Simpson Co.)	40
Utica	64
New Albany	72
Brookhaven	152
Crystal Springs Church	85
West Laurel Church	209
Glenfield Church	79

The Irish patient had been having
a great argument and meant to
finish off his opponent for good
and all.

"The sooner I never see your face
again," he said, "the better it will
be for both of us when we meet."

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Sunday School Lesson

By BRACEY CAMPBELL

PAUL'S BACKWARD GLANCE

II Cor. 11:16-12:10; Phil. 1:12-24; 3:7-16; II Tim. 4:7, 8.

(I got caught unawares this week, and this, with a slight sickness which makes me unfit for the best service, makes it necessary for me to shorten the lesson for the week.—L. B. C.)

I. Paul's Explanation of His Life. Phil. 1:21.

"For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

"To me," life has a certain meaning. It may have a different one to you, but "to me" it has this meaning, "Christ." It means that Christ is the objective which is set before me, and that I shape all my conduct with reference to this objective. Which of a number of possible courses of action will bring me nearest a complete realization of the ideal which He is to me?

He is my objective not only, but the power in which I strive to attain that objective. The spirit of Christ within me enables me to strive with a power which I could not without His command. So for me to live is to be the instrument, or better, the agent of the Christ.

Again, for me to live is for Christ to live over in me, for me to strive to reproduce the life of Christ in all the mercy and gentleness and love and justice of it. In consequence of this, I strive that nothing in my life shall bring shame upon the name of my Lord.

II. The Prize Which Paul Had Set Before Him. Phil. 3:12-14.

Paul's Master had chosen Paul for a definite work, and Paul was determined to master that work. Paul's Master had chosen Paul to fulfill a given purpose, and Paul had the purpose of his Master, his own purpose.

I know a good physician who has chosen his son to be a physician, and the son, consenting with that choice, has set himself to realize his father's aim for him.

God had separated Paul from his mother's womb, and called Paul by His grace, and Paul had answered that call, and was holding always before himself the ideal of measuring up to the desire of God for his life.

Unto the greatest realization of this purpose it was necessary that Paul should unrelentingly press on unto ever finer attainment in the Christian life and service. Paul did not become satisfied, did not attain sinless perfection, did not fancy that he was good as he could be and getting better every day.

III. Paul's Estimate of His Life Work. II Tim. 4:7.

1. "I have fought the good fight." The fight I have fought has been on the good side. I have not lined up with the forces of evil, neither have I strived to entrench the wrong. I have sided with the good.

2. "I have finished the course." God gave Paul a task to do, and

Paul had done that task. God had given Paul a race course to run, and Paul had run that course. Perhaps the main thing is that Paul had not run a course of his own choosing, done a work of his own selection, but had done the work God had selected, but had done what God had assigned him.

3. "I have kept the faith." I have guarded the faith. I have allowed no one to pervert it, I have kept it safe by propagating it. That is the only way to keep the truth—give it away, teach it sedulously to everybody who will be taught.

IV. Paul's Expectation. II Tim. 4:8.

"There is laid up for me the crown of righteousness." The reward of it all is gained. I only wait the hour when I shall be called to receive it.

CIGARETTES AND A CHRISTIAN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

At Blue Mountain College, the oldest senior college for women in Mississippi, smoking is taboo, made so by the students themselves. Student government and the honor system prevail at the college, and so effective is it that only one matter of discipline for any cause has come before the faculty in five years.

"Do you regard smoking among women as immoral?" a representative of the college was asked.

"Not immoral, but certainly an error in judgment," was the reply, "especially among growing girls. Among non-smoking girls you do not generally find husky voices, inflamed eyes, jittery nerves, yellow and ashen skin, or the odor of cigarette smoke in clothes and hair."

The representative further went on to say, "Blue Mountain College aims to turn out a cultured, lovable, desirable, and alluring type of woman, and it is impossible to do this if odors of tobacco emanate from her clothing and tresses."

Asked how the cigarette smoking problem was handled at Blue Mountain College, the representative replied that no such problem existed. "It is not the province of the college to convert girls from smoking. The college does not say to a girl, 'You cannot smoke.' It does insist, however, that girls who must smoke enroll in institutions that permit it. Consequently, girls who must smoke at college go to other institutions and the smoking problem is avoided at Blue Mountain."

"Colleges permitting their women students to smoke should conduct courses in the finesse of holding a cigarette. I have yet to see a woman smoker who does not hold her cigarettes as though it were a firecracker about to explode at any minute."

Nevertheless, Blue Mountain College annually has applications for admission from more girls than it can accommodate. It enrolls students from the Hudson River to the Rio Grande, from the Atlantic to the Pacific oceans, and from a great majority of Mississippi counties.

Blue Mountain's policy indicates that non-smoking girls still are in demand as wives. In a recent survey conducted by the Division of

Surveys and Field Studies of George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn., under the direction of Dr. Doak S. Campbell, entitled "Problems in the Education of College Women," the percentage who marry of women graduates of Southern colleges was sought. According to the survey in the graduating classes studied, 54% of the women graduates of coeducational institutions were married, and 55.4% of the graduates of private and denominational women's colleges were married. In breaking down the analysis to individual colleges, the survey developed that in classes considered the percentage of married graduates of Blue Mountain College was seventy-three. President Lawrence T. Lowrey of Blue Mountain later made a survey of his own which developed that in the first fifty graduating classes (1875-1924, inclusive) more than eighty per cent of the graduates of Blue Mountain College were married.

The divorce record of Blue Mountain College graduates, too, is an interesting one. According to the United States census figures, the divorce rate in the United States is approximately 16%, whereas the divorce rate among Blue Mountain College graduates is less than two per cent.—Frank E. Skilton.

MR. AND MRS. FLEET A. WALKER

Whereas, Mr. Fleet A. Walker and wife were affiliated with the Fernwood Baptist Church over a period of something like ten years, during which time they served faithfully and efficiently in the capacities of church treasurer, deacon,

Sunday school secretary and treasurer, chorister, and pianist, and,

Whereas, they have recently moved their membership from this church to the Central Baptist Church of McComb, Mississippi,

We, the members of the Fernwood Baptist Church, do hereby heartily commend them to said Central Baptist Church and to the citizenry of the city of McComb as being faithful and efficient servants in the work of the church and community.

H. E. Pittman, Chairman.
N. L. Gill, Member.

Mr. D. D. Kennedy, superintendent of the Intermediate Sunday school of First Church, Columbia, has two places in his car going to Ridgecrest for Sunday school week, July 16-21. Persons interested who will share gas and oil expense get in touch with Mr. D. D. Kennedy, Columbia, Miss. Are you going to Ridgecrest? Do you have room for another? Will you share it for gas and oil expense? If so, get in touch with John Farmer at Baptist headquarters. Thanks!



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W. H. JOHNSON, President

Thursday, June 22, 1939

THE UNION BAPTIST SEMINARY

The name given this recently founded Baptist Seminary for the education of the Negro ministry in New Orleans and surrounding regions expresses a hope already partially realized in this city, the seat of the institution. That hope is that all the Associations of New Orleans, and vicinity should unite in backing financially and morally this young institution which is rapidly becoming the most important factor in the resolution of the greatest problem of Kingdom work among the colored population of this vast metropolis, that is that of the education of the ministry.

This Seminary was founded two years ago and has carried on successfully for these two years, matriculating almost a hundred students this year in its various departments of instruction. The faculty has persevered in its self-sacrificing endeavor during this second year hoping that some financial help might come to supplement the small incomes most of the teachers receive from other kinds or phases of Kingdom work.

The City of New Orleans has 159,000 colored people and the state of Louisiana more than 800,000. In New Orleans, there are many small Baptist congregations, more than a hundred, many of which could not properly be called churches. The ministry has but few out of more than two hundred ordained men who have even a high school training. Less than a dozen of these men altogether have had college and Seminary training.

The consequences of this situation in the ministry is that their congregations of traditional Baptists are being swept away by the Catholic priests who are backed up by schools both parochial and of superior grade heading up in Xavier College. What can a ministry without training do to withstand such inroads, much less to go forward with a constructive program in Kingdom work?

Recognizing the dire need of training for their ministry, a good number of the ministers of the widely scattered and representative colored Baptist churches in New Orleans came together in cooperation with representatives of the Baptist Bible Institute in October, 1937, and organized the Union Baptist Seminary. Having finished now two years of successful work, with the result that a fine class completes the pastor's course this session, and a full proof having been given of the self-sacrificing character of the voluntary effort of both trustees and faculty, both colored and white, we feel justified fully in presenting to the brotherhood of Baptists white and colored, both North and South, the claims of this institution to love and go forward with increasing support financially and morally from all sides. The local churches and associations have contributed increasingly, but are not strong enough financially to satisfy the most meager needs of the school. The faculty members (colored) have not received as much as \$50 apiece for the year's work just finished. The very reasonable budget

of \$25 each, per month, was adopted by the trustees last fall and these (eight) teachers, who have lived in the hope of receiving this much-needed minimum amount, have been disappointed thus far, and yet, not complaining, have gone on to the end of the school year.

In the heart of the South in New Orleans, is the best place for the investment of money to vitally help the Kingdom work among a vast population of Negroes. The Practical Activities Department of the Baptist Bible Institute is carrying forward a splendid program in the French fields of this region. New churches are springing up in towns and country places in the parishes around New Orleans. The new seminary for the colored ministry is being aided by professors and graduate students of the Baptist Bible Institute who serve on its faculty along with the colored teachers. The finest fellowship is growing up thus between white and colored teachers working shoulder to shoulder in this great cause. A woman's Training Department, headed by one of the young women of the graduates of the Baptist Bible Institute, aided by a young graduate of Dillard University, has been organized this year and is doing splendid work in the better training of the women in the colored churches. We plead for financial help to the amount of \$1,623 to cover the deficit in the budget of the school year just closed. We call upon the friends of the needy and strategic of New Orleans. We need contributions from the outside to supplement the weak local churches in providing for a budget of \$2,500 which is but slightly in excess of that of 1938-1939. Once more we appeal to God's noble stewards in every place for a good contribution of \$1,600, with which to purchase a large, substantial building which occupies a superior lot in a truly strategic position in the city. This property would accommodate splendidly the needs of the Institution for years to come. The price is one fifth what it was when new. But the structure is solid and a couple of thousand dollars would be sufficient to make it an ornament to the cause. All inquiries should be addressed to me at 1224 Fourth Street, New Orleans, La. New Orleans is a great strategic point for this work and now is the time to save the colored population from being swept from their moorings by the "isms" most current in these parts.—J. W. Shepard.

A RESOLUTION

A Resolution Urging Care In Safeguarding the Principle of Separation of Church and State

(Offered by L. E. Barton, Jasper, Alabama, and adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in session in Oklahoma City, Okla., May 20, 1939)

Whereas upon the recent death of Pope Pius XI both houses of the United States Congress adjourned in honor of the Pope, and

Whereas the President later sent Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, Ambassador to the Court of St. James, as his personal representative to Rome to witness or participate in the crowning of Pope Pius XII,

Bt It Resolved:

1. That we recognize in the decease of the late Pope the passing of a distinguished world citizen which brought keen sorrow to all peoples of his faith with whom we sympathize in the loss of their leader.

2. That we the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention in session at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, May 20, 1939, and representing more than four million Southern Baptists do cheerfully recognize and champion every person's right and liberty to make his own choice in matters of religion.

3. That the right and freedom of religious opinion does not justify the union or mingling of state and church, but rather requires and demands that the two be kept separate and inviolate the one from the other.

4. That we deplore and protest such actions by Congress and the President of the United States as unwise and unwarranted, and as indicating a dangerous tendency toward the union of church and state, which is a chief cause of the troubles of the old world.

5. If the sending of the Ambassador of the United States was to honor the crowning of an ecclesiastical head we believe it was an obvious violation of the traditions of this Republic and of the spirit of the First Amendment of our Constitution even if, perhaps, not of its letter. If this course was in honor of the crowning of the civil ruler of a state with which we are not in diplomatic relations it was as obviously an impropriety.

6. That we request Congress and the President to adhere strictly to the principles on which our government was founded and the basal principle of separation of church and state so plainly taught in the first section of the bill of rights in our constitution.

7. That copies of these resolutions be delivered by the Public Relations Committee to the Secretary of State and to members of the House and Senate of the United States Congress.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, seven years ago, Rev. R. K. Corder accepted the call to supply the First Baptist Church of Picayune as pastor and since that time he has devoted his time and talent in building up the church organization, and,

Whereas, under his leadership the church has moved forward and is today among the strongest and most efficiently financed churches in the state and its financial program has been used as a model by other churches in this and other counties, and,

Whereas, Rev. R. K. Corder has been called and has accepted a like place in the First Baptist Church

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Resolved by the First Baptist Church of Picayune, Miss., that the going of brother Corder and his family from our midst will be keenly felt by members of this church as well as other denominations, be it further

Resolved that this church extends to brother Corder and his family its best wishes for a great success in the Kingdom's work in their new field and may he grow in grace and power under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, and be it further

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the First Baptist Church of Picayune, Miss., a copy sent to brother Corder, and a copy sent to the Baptist Record, the Neshoba Democrat and The Picayune Item for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

N. B. Lane

J. E. Baker

J. R. Furr,

Resolutions Committee.

—BR—

"Stranger: 'I've come out here to make an honest living.'

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Indian—Ugh! Mighty near miss um.

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The Children's Circle

MRS. FRANCES LIPSEY STEELE

(Address all communications to Mrs. Frances Steele, Magee, Miss.)

My Dear Children:

There is something unusual about our letters this week. Perhaps it has happened before but I don't remember it. It's this: every single letter-writer sends an offering. Besides this, we also have a gift of a dollar from a friend, Mrs. W. D. Morgan, who does not write. All of this seems worth drawing attention to. We appreciate every single penny each one of you contributes; that is not so important, however, as the fact that God is pleased when His children want to show their love for Him by helping His causes.

We would not have anyone misunderstand, though, and fail to write to the Children's Circle because you have no money to send. If you cannot make a gift of money, there are other ways in which you may help. Your bright, cheerful letters, full of helpful suggestions are a real contribution toward making our page a success. So if you want to help, but have no money to send, just continue to write, telling what you are doing, sending answers to the puzzles, or perhaps enclosing a puzzle of your own. What interests you will interest us, and we would be poor indeed without your letters.

We have two puzzles this week: one from Lorene Stutts and the other who simply signs himself, "Older Brother." You'll find both of these quite interesting. I'm waiting to see who sends the answers first.

And, by the way, I believe there are two puzzles to which you have not sent the answers, one of Mrs. C. A. P.'s and one called "Who Said." Perhaps those answers will still come from you.

Our Bible Study this week is just one verse in preparation for the Bible story next week. Memorize this verse and see if you know what the story is about.

With love,

Mrs. Frances Steele.

BIBLE STUDY

A verse to remember:

"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them." Psalm 34:7.

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Brookhaven, Miss.
June 8, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I wish every day of the week was Thursday if I could get The Baptist Record every day. Every Thursday I read the Children's Circle and other parts of the Record.

We are to have a Children's Day at our church. It is to be the first Sunday in July and I have a part. Two weeks after Children's Day our revival meeting begins. Brother "Slick" Green will do the preaching. After the meeting my sister and I will spend the week at my grandmother's.

I am sending a dime for the Orphans.

Love,

Shirley Stanley.

Shirley, you could have looked a long time before you found a nicer thing to say. It is girls and boys like you who make our Children's Circle interesting. Your gift is greatly appreciated.—F. L. S.

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San Antonio, Texas
c/o W.O.W. Hospital
June 8, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

If you will permit one of the older boys to come into your Circle for a minute, I will be here just a moment. I read your page regularly and enjoy it. You are doing a good work with our children. May

the Lord bless you.

I am sending 10 cents for you to divide.

I am sending below a Bible study. The first letter of each scripture referred to will spell a great Bible truth. What is this truth? And where found?

1. Matt. 28:19.
2. Matt. 7:9.
3. Rom. 12:13.
4. John 15:1.
5. Genesis 1:27.
6. Matt. 5:16.
7. Hebrews 10:29.
8. John 5:24.
9. James 5:17.

Older Brother.

We can't tell you how much we appreciate your interest and encouragement, "Older Brother." Thank you very much for having a share in our offering, and for sending this helpful puzzle. We hope you will soon be well and able to leave the hospital.—F. L. S.

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Brookhaven, Miss.
Rt. 3, Box 252
June 9, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

This is my second time to write to you. I read the Children's Circle every week, and enjoy it very much. I am twelve years old and will enter the seventh grade next session. I go to church and Sunday school at Macedonia Baptist Church. I have three brothers and two sisters. My sister, Margie Lee, and I are sending 10c to be divided as you wish.

Your friend,

Anna Alice Case.

Anna Alice, we are delighted to hear from you again, and are glad that you interested Margie Lee in writing too. Thank you both for the gift you send.—F. L. S.

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Tiptersville, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I enjoy reading the Children's Circle. This is my first time to write. I am sending ten cents for the Orphans. My daddy is a preacher. I go to Sunday school at Providence Baptist Church. I have a kitten named Spot. I am nine years old and am in the fifth grade. Our school was out April 14. I have two little sisters, Jennie and Patricia. We have together a hen and five little chickens. We have been taking the Baptist Record a long time.

Your new friend,

Lucy Otelia Horton.

You are a smart girl, Lucy, to be using the typewriter. By the time you are twice nine you ought to know all about one. Maybe you'll be your father's secretary. I'm glad you remembered the Orphans. Thanks.—F. L. S.

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Brookhaven, Miss.
Route 3, Box 252
June 9, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am a little girl eight years old and shall study the third grade this fall. This is my first time to write to the Children's Circle. I have a bantie hen and six little chickens. My baby brother has a little pet dog named Billy. I go to Sunday school at Macedonia Baptist Church every Sunday. My teacher's name is Mrs. Kate Stanley. I love her very much. My daddy has been dead almost six years. My sister Anna Alice and I are sending 10c. Divide it as you wish.

Love,

Margie Lee Case.

Margie Lee, it is lots easier to learn the lessons when you love your teacher, isn't it? I know you enjoy that little "bantie" hen and her six baby chicks. We are grateful to you and Anna Alice for this offering.—F. L. S.

Lucedale, Miss.

Route 2

June 9, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

This is my first time to write. I am a little girl nine years old and I enjoy reading the Children's Page very much. I am sending 10c for the Orphans. May I join your Children's Circle? I will continue to read and enjoy your page.

Your friend,

Winnie Fae Welford.

Winnie Fae, all the boys and girls of the Circle are glad to have you as a member. And so am I. Thank you for this gift.—F. L. S.

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Cascilla, Miss.
June 10, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I would like to join the Children's Circle. I have been reading the letters of all the children for a long time. I am a member of the Ashland Baptist Church at Cascilla.

My little brother and I go to Sunday school every Sunday. My little brother is five years old.

I read a letter from one of my best friends, Myrtie Cooper, of Columbus, Miss. We were very good friends and had good times together.

I am nine years old and will be in the fifth grade next year. My father is a preacher. He has been preaching six years. I am sending a dollar to the B.B.I. scholarship fund.

Your new friend,

Ramona Bernice Ray.

Ramona, we are glad that you found Myrtie's letter for that may have encouraged you to write to us. You are cordially welcomed to the Circle. This gift will certainly be very helpful in building up our scholarship fund too. Thank you very much.—F. L. S.

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Sturgis, Miss.
June 10, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I would like very much to join your Children's Circle. I read it every week.

I am a little girl eleven years old and will be in the eighth grade next school session.

My mother has been taking the Baptist Record for four years.

I am a member of Morgantown Baptist Church. We have built new Sunday school rooms to our church. I go to Sunday school and church every Sunday. I am group captain of my B.Y.P.U. and secretary of my Sunday school class. Our Sunday school sends an offering to the Orphanage every first Sunday.

I am sending ten cents and will try to send more next time.

Your new friend,

Dorothy Gene Landrum.

Those are places of responsibility which you hold, Dorothy Gene, and I'm sure you fill them well. We are glad to have you one of our Circle, and are grateful to you for remembering our offering.—F. L. S.

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Pinola, Miss.
June 12, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I enjoyed the Bible Study and letters this week as always. I would be glad for some of the little girls to write to me on my birthday which will be the eighteenth (next Sunday).

I am playing with baby sister this morning. I am so thankful that I am feeling fine and hope that all the Circle members and Record readers are feeling good too.

Billy Joann can almost sit alone. Mother says she will soon have some little teeth. She is three months old and weighs fifteen pounds. She has dark blue eyes and dark hair. We are keeping her record. Perhaps some day you can come go fishing with me and read her record. When she was three weeks old she had had eighty-three visitors. I also have a little guinea. You see I am busy all the time.

I am sending ten cents to the Orphan children. I am sorry for all of them because my daddy and

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DR. A. F. CRITTENDON
Pastor First Baptist Church, Ponca City, Okla.

CHURCH MISSIONS

The First Baptist Church, Ponca City, Oklahoma, where Rev. A. F. Crittendon is pastor, is endeavoring to take care of the destitute mission fields by which it is surrounded, by the establishment and maintenance of mission stations at strategic points. The church is now maintaining three missions. New mission buildings have been erected at two of the stations and a school house is used at the other. The investment in these new buildings and equipment totals around \$6,000.

A full church program is conducted at each of these missions. A layman is in charge of each as superintendent, and Sunday school, morning preaching service, B.T.U., evening preaching service and mid-week prayer service is conducted at each. The W.M.U. also has organized a circle of the missionary society at each mission. Pastor Crittendon preaches at one of the missions during the time the Sunday school is in session at the home church and conducts mid-week service for them as often as possible, but the other preaching services are taken by the laymen of the church who gladly render the service gratis.

One of these missions is in the southwestern section of Ponca City in a community called Sunset Hill, another is about two miles east in a fast growing suburban community called Osage Heights, and the other is at the site of the old 101 Ranch. The old 101 Ranch went into receivership and the government took it over and established forty farm homesteads which they have sold to farmers. There were few Baptists among the new-comers, but after a revival and some preaching of Bible doctrines most of them are now Baptists, and the mission is prospering.

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District Two

Delegates from Creek, and St. attended the annual meeting of the Baptist held at Holland, June 14. The coming to lead program consisted of Wilds, Miss Lu. Miss Winnie B. Jones, and Dr. Highlights of the program were Miss Cohol—What It Does"; Dr. Ra. illustrated lecture Wilds' "Looking Wilds' "Approach ashamed"; Mr. Service"; and Land of the S. Contest awarded Telling, Barbara Leland; Junior Juanita Harrison; mediate Swor. Violet Hendrick second place; Sen. landale; Senior Mary Catherine; ness; Mileage gation.

Officers elected are: president Treadway; Myers; secretary Junior and Mrs. Ben P. ton, Acting

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District Two Convention

Delegates from Bolivar, Deer Creek, and Sunflower Associations attended the annual District meeting of the Baptist Training Union held at Hollandale Baptist Church June 14. The quintet of workers coming to lead in putting on the program consisted of Mr. Aubur J. Wilds, Miss Lucy Carleton Wilds, Miss Winnie Buckels, Mrs. O. M. Jones, and Dr. A. J. Ranson.

Highlights on the all-day program were Miss Buckels' talk, "Alcohol—What It Is and What It Does"; Dr. Ranson's talk and illustrated lecture on India; Mr. Wilds' "Looking Ahead"; Miss Wilds' "Approved Workmen, Unashamed"; Mr. Jones' "At Your Service"; and the movie, "In the Land of the Sky."

Contest awards were: Bible Story Telling, Barbara Jean Kuykendall, Leland; Junior Memory Work, Juanita Harris, Greenville; Intermediate Sword Drill, first place, Violet Hendricks of Inverness, and second place, Dodds Douglas of Hollandale; Senior Better Speakers, Mary Catherine Upchurch, Inverness; Mileage Contest, Shelby delegation.

Officers elected for the next year are: president, Arthur Street Treadway; vice-president, Louis Myers; secretary, Ruth Adams; and Junior and Intermediate Leaders, Mrs. Ben Penn.—Carolyn Templeton, Acting Secretary.

District Three Convention

The Baptist Training Union convention of District Three met in Winona, Miss., on June 12 with the First Baptist Church, pastored by the Rev. J. B. Flowers, as host. All six counties of the district, Grenada, Yalobusha, Montgomery, Carroll, Leflore, and Tallahatchie, were represented. The mileage certificate was won by the church of Webb in Tallahatchie county and was accepted by the Rev. J. M. Penebaker, pastor. Six delegates came from Webb, a distance of 70 miles, giving them a score of 420.

Brother E. C. Farr of Carrollton, district president, presided at the convention, which featured the following speakers: Dr. A. J. Ranson, missionary to India, who gave an address on India and an illustrated lecture of his work and travels; Miss Winnie Buckels, who presented the subject "Alcohol—What It Is and What It Does"; Mr. Aubur J. Wilds, State B.T.U. Secretary, who led the quiz on denominational work and talked on the subject "Looking Ahead"; Miss Lucy Carleton Wilds, associate secretary, who presented a challenge to the leaders in her talk, "Approved Workmen—Unashamed"; Brother N. B. Saucier of Elliott, brought a message on Bible Study, and Mrs. O. M. Jones of the Baptist Book Store, who presented "At Your Service." George Cole of

Webb had charge of the music with Miss Amy Lee Stepp at the piano. The leaders for the group discussions were Miss Lucy Carleton Wilds, Mr. K. R. Cofer, Mrs. P. T. Smith, Mrs. O. M. Jones, Mrs. Taylor Howard and Miss Ruth McCormack.

Two special features were a playlet presented by the Winona B.T.U. and a technicolor movie of last year's South-wide B.T.U. Assembly at Ridgecrest, which aroused an interest in the Assembly to be held July 9-14.

First place in the Intermediate Sword Drill contest was won by Norma Lee Smith of Greenwood and second place by Sara Abel of Elliott. Lena Stafford of Itta Bena was awarded the Better Speaker's certificate.

Officers elected for the coming year are: president, Mr. Kermit R. Cofer of Water Valley; vice-president, Rev. J. H. Penebaker of Webb; secretary, Mrs. J. B. Flowers of Winona; Intermediate and Junior Leader, Mrs. C. S. Thomas of Grenada.—Amy Lee Stepp, Sec.

District Nine Convention

District Nine convention met in the Lexington Baptist Church June 13 with about 200 attending. All five counties in the district were represented with one visiting county church, Tchula of Leflore county, Attala, Leake, Holmes, Madison and Yazoo counties are in this district. The Kosciusko Church of Attala county won the Attendance Banner.

Dr. Ranson's lectures on India were interesting and educational. Another educational and moral feature was the lecture on Alcohol by Miss Buckels.

After a lovely lunch was served by the host church a Bible Study and Bible contest proved interesting. The winners were as follows: Senior Speaking Contest, Rosa Lee Edwards of Kosciusko; Intermediate Bible Drill, first place, Anice McDaniels of Goodman, second place, Annette McDaniels of Goodman; Junior Memory Work, first place, Polly Brown of Kosciusko, second place, Bobby Wheeler of Goodman; Story Hour Telling, first place, Jimmie Meisenholder of Yazoo City, second place, Martha Neil Chenault of Kosciusko.

Little Mary Gay Holcomb, 4-year-old, of Kosciusko, repeated the books of the New Testament with expert ability.

Sectional conferences for various departmental groups proved helpful, and was followed up by a talk from our State Secretary, Mr. Aubur J. Wilds.

A playlet by the host church Union showed the importance of using the Standard of Excellence as a guide in our Training program.

The pictures of Ridgecrest and India were splendid.

The old and new district officers wish to thank the Lexington Church

for courtesies extended.

The officers are: district president, D. I. Young of Eden; vice-president, George Sowell of Kosciusko; secretary-treas., Mrs. J. E. Ward of Yazoo City; Junior Intermediate leader, Mrs. M. C. McDaniel of Goodman.—Mrs. J. E. Ward, Sec.

Weir Taking a Retrospective View

As we turn our thoughts backward five years we see a Senior Union being organized. A study course, the Senior Manual is planned and taught. Each successive year finds an added union and a study course given for each union. We now are a full graded B.T.U. However, we are not A-1. We are striving toward that now. Our Senior union began functioning with about 10 members. We now have an enrollment of 65.

The third week in May we held study courses for all of our unions, and here are some figures we are thankful to be able to give:

26% of our resident church members belong to the B.T.U.; 25% of our resident church members took part in study courses; 18% of our resident church members received awards.

This is just a very small beginning and the least we can be satisfied with is to measure up to our B.T.U. Standard of Excellence, and give God the praise for it all.—B.T.U. Director, Weir, Miss.

CHILDREN'S CIRCLE—

(Continued from Page 12)

mother are so sweet to me. I hope I can send more when I write again.

Your friend,

Ruby Jean Bell.

It is easy to see that you are proud of that baby sister, Ruby Jean, and we don't blame you. You almost sound as if you were sending an invitation to go fishing with you. You'd better watch out, we might accept. I'm glad you show your appreciation of your mother and father by wanting to help those who have lost theirs. Thank you.—F. L. S.

Rienzi, Miss.
June 12, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I read the Children's Circle every week. I will be nine years old the 7th of July. I have seven pet kittens. I am sending ten cents for the Orphanage. I hope I can send more next time. I've been reading a book. I am sending in a puzzle.

With love,

Lorene Stutts.

Lorene's Puzzle

Who fought a giant and killed him?

What queen came from a far country to see Solomon?

Who was the first king of Israel?

What prophet was sent to preach to the city of Ninevah?

How did Elisha make a bitter spring fresh?

What Syrian king did Elisha cure of leprosy?

At what trade did Jesus work as he grew up?

What did Jesus say when He stood beside the little girl that was dead?

What then took place?

Your birthday and mine—as well as a few more—come in the same month. Happy birthday to you! How do you take care of seven kittens?

That's a lot of kittens to belong to one little girl. We appreciate your gift and the puzzle too. If you made this puzzle yourself, I'm proud of you.—F. L. S.

1207 Central St.
Jackson, Miss.
June 12, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am a new reader of the Children's page, and this is my first time to write. I enjoy the Page very much. I would like to become a member of the Children's Circle.

I am a girl eleven years old, but will be twelve July 14. I will be in the seventh grade when school starts. I have dark brown hair and blue eyes. I have a white Persian cat whose name is Tibby, which is my only pet. I am very interested in any kind of sports such as swimming, boating, horseback riding, bicycle riding, skating, and reading. Reading isn't a sport but I like it.

I am a member of Calvary Baptist Church. I go to the G.A. and my leader is Mrs. Zack Taylor. I attend Sunday school and my teacher is Miss Agnes Case. I go to B.Y.P.U. and my leader is Mrs. Fitzhugh. I started Daily Vacation Bible School today. I enjoy all of these things.

I would like to receive letters from all of the boys and girls. Please write me and tell me about yourselves. I promise to answer all letters received. So, boys and girls, be sure and write.

Enclosed you will find twenty-five cents for the Orphans.

I hope that my letter is printed.

Your new friend,

Mary Frances Byrd.

I believe you lead a busy life, Mary Frances. I know you are enjoying the D.V.B.S. You are the second girl of our Circle this week to mention a birthday in July. We're saying "Happy birthday to you," too. Accept our thanks for this helpful contribution.—F. L. S.

Soso, Miss.
June 15, 1939.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am still enjoying the Children's Circle. I believe it is more interesting every time. I hope you still remember me; it's been so long since I wrote.

Mrs. Steele, last Sunday night at B.Y.P.U., they elected me assistant general secretary of the whole B.Y.P.U.

I am still twelve and will be in the seventh grade next fall. Enclosed you will find ten cents for the Orphans.

With love,
Joanna Hilbun.

Indeed, I do remember you, Joanna, and am very pleased that you still enjoy this page. I don't know how you feel, but I am persuaded that the B.Y.P.U. at Soso has a fine assistant general secretary even if she is just twelve years old. Thank you for the contribution which you enclose, too.—F. L. S.

"How did you know there has been a picnic here?"

"I see by the papers."

"How do you like my compositions, Professor?" asked the young composer, eagerly.

"I think they may be played when Chopin, Brahms, Liszt, and the others are forgotten."

"Really?"

"Yes. But not till then!"

Doctor (after examination): "Madam, you have a constitution of iron."

Obese Patient: "I've often wondered what made me so heavy."

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BAPTIST HISTORY FROM NOW BACK TO CHRIST

By T. A. J. Beasley, B.A., D.D.

I

The Origin of Denominations

1. Catholics, fully organized when Gregory, the Great was made first Pope in A. D. 590. (Ridpath's History, Vol. 4 Page 418.)

2. Lutheran, founded by Martin Luther, a Catholic, in 1520 A. D. (Mosheim's History).

3. Church of England, or Episcopal Church, founded by Henry 8th, Nov. 23, 1534. (McCauley's History of England, Vol. 1, Page 32.)

4. Presbyterian Church, founded by John Calvin, 1536. (Mosheim's History, page 477).

5. Methodist Church, founded by John and Charles Wesley, 1729. (Decipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1912 edition).

6. Campbellite Church, founded by Alexander Campbell and his father, Thomas Campbell, in 1807, fully organized in 1827. (Encyclopedia Britanica in article on "Origin of Campbellism.")

7. The New Testament Churches, the first one was founded by Jesus Christ, in A. D. 31. (Matt 16:15-18.) Composed of men who had repented, believed in Christ, been baptized by John the Baptist. (Matt. 3:1-12; Acts 19:4; John 1:35-51 and Matt. 18:20).

First New Testament Church formally organized. (Mar. 3:13-21.) The twelve Apostles were the original members. (I Cor. 12:28).

This First Church in the world was given its commission by Christ (Matt. 28:18-20 and Acts 1:8-9).

It was in Jerusalem and had 120 members before Pentecost, (Acts 1:12-15).

John was called "John the Baptist" before he ever baptized anyone. (Matt. 3:1) John did not start any organization, but made ready the material out of which Christ built His Church. (Luke 1:17). Christ gave no name to His Church.

A New Testament Church is a pure Democracy, with Christ as its head and the New Testament its sole law.

II

Baptists traced historically back to Christ:

Link 1. The Baptist Church at Dyersburg, Tenn., was organized by J. W. Jeter, who came from Philadelphia Association (Minutes of the Old Philadelphia, Penn. Association).

Link 2. Hill Cliff Church, Wales, England. H. Roller came to the Philadelphia Association from Hill Cliff Church. (See Minutes of the Philadelphia Association, Book 3, Item 1.)

Link 3. Hill Cliff Church was organized by Aaron Arlington, A. D. 987. (See Alex Munster's "Israel of the Alps", page 39).

Link 4. Lima Piedmont Church ordained Aaron Arlington, in A. D. 940. (See Jones' Church History, page 324).

Link 5. Lima Piedmont Church was organized by Balcolas, A. D. 812. (See Neander's Church History, Vol. 2, page 320).

Link 6. Balcola came from the Church at Timto, in Asia Minor. (See Neander's Church History, Vol. 2, page 320).

Link 7. Timto Church was organized by Archer Flavin, A. D. 738. (Mosheim's History, Vol. 1, page 394).

Link 8. Archer Flavin came from the Dorathea Church, organized by Adronicus, A. D. 671, in Asia Minor. (See Lambert's Church History, page 47).

Link 9. Adronicus came from Pontafossi, at the foot of the Alps in France. (See Lambert's History, page 47).

Link 10. Pontafossi Church was organized by Tellastman, from Turan, Italy, A. D. 398. (See Nowlin's Church History, Vol. 2, page 318).

Link 11. Turan Church was organized by Tertullian, from Bing Joy, Africa, A. D. 237. (See Armitage's Church History, page 182).

Link 12. Tertullian was a member of the Partin Church at the foot of the Tiber, that was organized by Polycarp, A. D. 150. (See Cyrus' Commentary of Antiquity, page 924).

Link 13. Polycarp was baptized by John the Beloved, or Revelator on the 25th of Dec. A. D. 95. (See Neander's Church History, page 285).

Link 14. John, the Beloved, was with Jesus on the Mountain Mar. 3:13-17, and Luke 6:13-16). These Apostles were the first in the Church, A. D. 31. Two things have marked the true Churches throughout all the centuries: The New Birth and Baptism. (Immersion).

John Ridpath, the world's greatest historian, says: "As to their (the Baptists') history from the time of Christ to now, I cannot say, but in the first 100 years all Christians were Baptists."

Alexander Campbell, founder of the Campbellite Church says: "From the Apostolic age to the present time the sentiments of Baptists and their practice of Baptism has had a continued chain of advocates; and public monuments of their existence in every century, can be produced." (Campbell's Millennial Harbinger).

Other historians, besides those already quoted above, which we have consulted were: Jarrell's "Baptist Church Perpetuity," D. B. Ray's "Baptist Succession," "Baptist Continuity," by J. L. Smith; Mason's "The Church that Jesus Built," and others.

The Missionary Baptist Church, or the New Testament Church, as seen in the New Testament, by me:

Early in life I professed faith in Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour, but delayed Church membership several years, due to the fact, my parents were not members of a Baptist Church, but of another church. After becoming 21 years of age I determined that I would no longer be a non-church member, and so joined the church of my parents, and so was never just satisfied with my church membership, and after 12 years' membership I determined to learn from God's own word which was the church that Jesus built, and after four full months' careful and prayerful study I was convinced that the Missionary Baptist Church was the New Testament Church—the Church that Jesus built.

I then united with the Missionary



Dr. B. G. Lowrey, thirteen years president of Blue Mountain College, whose portrait, a gift to the college from its alumnae, was unveiled here during the meeting of the National Alumnae Association. Holding his hands are his twin granddaughters, Betsy and Ann, children of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lowrey, Olive Branch, who unveiled the portrait.

Dr. Lowrey has two sets of identical twin grandchildren. The other twins are sons of Dean Rosewell G. Lowrey of State Teachers College, Hattiesburg. Dr. B. G. Lowrey and his brother, T. C., were twins. His brothers two years older than himself, Judge Perrin H. Lowrey of Marks and the late Booth Lowrey were twins. His maternal grandmother and one of his maternal aunts each gave birth to triplets. Two other maternal aunts gave birth to one set of twins each.

Baptist Church and from then till now I have been, and by the Grace of God I will continue to be a member of the Missionary Baptist Church to the end.

Matt. 16:18, (Jesus speaking "Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.")

Did Jesus know what He was talking about—did he tell the truth in the above declaration? Yes, assuredly yes, He knew—He told the truth, then He built His Church, and the gates of hell has not prevailed against it, nor will not, so it is clear His church is still with us, and will be to the end.

The above brief history by brother Beasley, along with the teaching of the New Testament makes it clear to me that the Missionary Baptist Church is the identical church that Jesus built.

Matt. 3:1, "In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea." Here we have God's word for it, that John was "The Baptist" or a "Baptist" and it also says he came "preaching" then beyond a doubt he was a preacher, "a Baptist preacher" and in John 1:6 we read, "There was a man sent from God whose name was John," (here St. John the writer was speaking of John the Baptist) then, I ask, what is a man that was, or is sent? There is but one answer, "a missionary" then since John was sent he was a missionary, and since God's word calls him a Baptist, and since he

was a preacher, and since he was a missionary, we have it, John was a Missionary Baptist preacher, is this not clear and conclusive?

Jesus was also a missionary, John 6:38, Jesus says, "For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me." Since Jesus was sent, He was sent on a mission, hence he was a Missionary, and his mission was "to seek and to save that which was lost." Luke 19:10, and to be "the Saviour of the world." I John 4:14.

It is the will of God the Father, and Jesus the Son, that we be missionaries, Jesus says, John 17:18, "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I sent them into the world."

John 20:21, "Then said Jesus to them again, peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."

Then Jesus gives the Great Commission: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." Matt. 28:19, and again "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Mar. 16:15.

This Great Commission was given to the church—those composing the church, and it gave them a mission—that mission was to teach, to preach, and to baptize, and if the church fulfills this mission, it unquestionably is a Missionary Baptist Church.—John H. Heath, New Albany, Miss.

Hot Weather is Here— Beware of Biliousness!

Have you ever noticed that in very hot weather your organs of digestion and elimination seem to become torpid or lazy? Your food sours, forms gas, causes belching, heartburn, and a feeling of restlessness and irritability. Perhaps you may have sick headache, nausea and dizziness or blind spells on suddenly rising. Your tongue may be coated, your complexion bilious and your bowel actions sluggish or insufficient.

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Thursday, June 22, 1939

DR. T. T. MARTIN The Doctrinal Evangelist Passes Away

By A. D. Muse, Evangelist,
Memphis, Tenn.

The spirit of one of the most striking, virile, unique, individual and irrepressible personalities of this generation, Evangelist T. T. Martin, quietly and peacefully slipped away at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon, May 23, at the Baptist hospital in Jackson, Miss., and his body was laid to rest by the side of his father, Evangelist M. T. Martin, in the beautiful cemetery at Gloster, Miss., at three o'clock Wednesday afternoon, May 24.

Brother Martin often requested that I write an outline of his life for the papers and preach his funeral. Upon my suggestion that he give me the high points and facts of his life he sent me Dr. E. P. Aldredge's 1925 volume of "Southern Baptist Handbook," which has a six page close analysis of his character and personality and very good detailed account of his life, and the most excellent photograph of brother Martin I have seen at all.

The last two pieces of work that brother Martin did was a four weeks' campaign with Roberts Memorial Church in Columbus, Ga., last October from which he returned home with a heart attack from which he never rallied. And he finished his life story, "Viewing Life's Sunset From the Top of Pike's Peak." It was my joy and profit to prepare the manuscript of that work for the printers. I wept at times and at times I laughed until I could not write. It is about forty-five thousand words of rich soul stirring life experiences told in brother Martin's inimitable style at his best! It will be off the press soon.

The doctors said, "There is but one thing wrong with you. Your heart is just worn out from hard work, otherwise you are wonderfully sound." So Tuesday afternoon, May the twenty-third at four o'clock his heart just beat the last time, and with his wife and children sitting by the bed brother Martin was with the Lord. Wasn't that a meeting? Dr. John A. Broadus, T. T. Eaton, J. R. Graves, J. B. Moody, B. H. Carroll, J. B. Gambrell, and his father, M. T. Martin meeting in Heaven! I covet the privilege to have been there!

Brother Martin was born April 22, 1862, in Smith County, Mississippi. His mother was an A. B. graduate of Mississippi College. His father, M. T. Martin was long professor of Mathematics at Mississippi College. Brother Martin graduated with an A. B. degree at Mississippi College in 1886. He first studied law. Then he planned for himself a life of teaching and went to Baylor College at Belton, Texas at the head of the department of Natural Sciences. Here he entered the ministry, was ordained by the church at Belton, Texas, entered immediately upon evangelistic labors, went to Louisville to the Seminary, was pastor at Glenview, Kentucky and at Beattyville, Kentucky, volunteered for the foreign mission field, was

accepted by the board at Richmond as a missionary to Brazil; just before setting sail, was poisoned with ptomaine, at a wedding banquet in Louisville, (eleven died from it—brother Martin was twice reported dead)—but survived, went as a missionary in the Kentucky mountains, took tuberculosis, went to Colorado as pastor. In 1900 he came from Colorado to Walnut Street Church in Louisville, Kentucky to hold a two weeks' meeting with T. T. Eaton. The meeting ran eight weeks. From then unto the end brother Martin held a place all his own in the field of Baptist evangelism. No Baptist evangelist in all the history of American evangelism ever approached him in manner, style, method or message in evangelism. A leading college president said to me, "T. T. Martin is not an individual, he is an institution within himself." Another college president said to me once, "I saw him hold our student body on tip toe for three solid weeks." When I was pastor in Vicksburg the Presbyterian pastor, Dr. Ayers and I had him there for a three weeks' tent meeting. When it was over Dr. Ayers said, "Well that white haired old man, Tom Martin, is the only evangelist I ever heard who did not bore me to death before the meeting was half over. The cake tasted good to the last crumb. And that last sermon on Sunday night on "Ye Are Bought" was absolutely the greatest piece of pulpit oratory I have ever heard on either side of the ocean and I have heard them all. That sermon had all it requires to be a sermon and all required to be real oratory."

Brother Martin was the author of seventeen published volumes. "God's Plan With Men" has gone through the tenth edition. He left several manuscripts finished and almost finished with the request that I prepare them all for publication. This I am now working on and shall until the last one is finished up and in the hands of his publisher, Fleming H. Revell. Four times in my years of association with brother Martin have Seminary students written me for material on his life and work in their preparation of studies of "T. T. Martin as an Evangelist," assigned them by the heads of their departments.

In the Baptist Church at Gloster Dr. W. A. Sullivan, pastor to brother Martin's only living sister, Mrs. E. H. Ratcliff at Natchez, read the scriptures, Dr. E. K. Cox, pastor at Gloster, led the prayer, brother Joe Canzoneri, whom brother Martin led to Christ in 1909 at Purvis, Miss., talked about his conversion and how it came about and how close and precious brother Martin had been to him through all these thirty years. I tried to talk about Brother Martin as the young preacher's friend; giving many incidents about which I had learned of men who have been prominent in Southern Baptist life, editors of Baptist papers, Secretaries of Baptist Mission Boards, to whom brother Martin came in the crisis hour and helped them over the seemingly impossible. Mr. W. J. Ramsay, for thirty years song leader and manager for the Ham-Ramsay Evangelistic party recently said to

me, "T. T. Martin has spent his life and fortune furnishing an opportunity to other men." My blessed Lord only knows how true that is!

Brother Martin's wife and five children and one brother, Prof. Hubert Martin, of the department of Mathematics in Dallas, Texas City Schools and his sister, Mrs. Ratcliff were present. His baby brother, M. T. Martin, Jr., of New York could not get there! For twenty-three years T. T. Martin has written to me every week that has come and gone. He has been a real father to me. It is really lonesome to me! It is really sad to say "good-bye." But not for long!

REVIVAL AT CENTREVILLE

Beginning May 28 and closing June 7, the Centreville saints had a real time of refreshing from the presence of God. We were led by Rev. Louis W. Ferrell, Griffith Church, Jackson, as preacher, and Prof. Ross M. Marshall, Pearl River Junior College, Poplarville, as singer. These brethren did their part in a manner very closely approaching perfection. Business places were closed during the day services and there was a very gratifying degree of cooperation on the part of other Christian communions. We had five people for baptism and three very bright professions of faith among church members. The non-attendance of unsaved people upon the services was a great source of grief to the workers, but there is a very fine spirit of optimism among our people. We are definitely on higher ground at Centreville. —J. F. Tull.

VICKSBURG, FIRST CHURCH

For many weeks the pastor and congregation of the First Baptist Church of Vicksburg looked forward with prayerful concern to the coming of brother W. Clyde Hankins to help us in a revival. He has come and gone, and our meeting has come to a close, but the effect of the meeting will continue for many years to come.

We had a large number of additions, mostly by baptism, fifty or more, but that is not the most important result of the meeting. A renewed consecration on the part of our congregation is so manifest that we rejoice and give thanks to God, for our Church is indeed revived.

Men were saved for whom prayer had been made for years, and they are even now out trying to win others to our Lord. The Lord witnessed through brother Hankins and the consecrated membership of this church in such a way that our city, which has a name not enviable because of certain wide open tendencies here, is definitely impressed by the power of the Gospel.

The Lord has added more than 150 members to our church within the year, and we give Him thanks and all praise.—Wallace R. Rogers.

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The Assembly

The time for the Mississippi Baptist Assembly is near at hand. The date is July 3-7, and the place is the Mississippi Woman's College in Hattiesburg.

Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, New Orleans; Dr. E. F. Haight, B.B.I. instructor, New Orleans; Miss Wilma Bucy, South-wide W.M.U. worker, Atlanta; Mrs. Owen Cooper, Jackson; Secretary D. A. McCall, Jackson, are feature speakers on the program. In addition to these, the regular workers of the state Sunday school, W.M.U., and Training Union departments will also direct various conferences for all groups attending.

The prices are most reasonable: only \$5.00 per person for the entire time where ten or more go from the same church or community. For less than ten the rate is \$6.50 for the full time, or \$1.50 for a single day.

It is a wonderful opportunity to combine spiritual feasting with physical rest and social enjoyment for a few days and come back home refreshed in mind, body and spirit. Take advantage of this week to give yourself a chance to be built up in all good things.

Vacation Bible Schools

Reports of Vacation Bible schools are coming to us from all sections of the state, and in greater numbers than ever before. Never have we heard as many good things about the Vacation schools as we are this year. The reports are glowing descriptions of what these few extra hours are meaning in the lives of our boys and girls—as well as the fine, faithful teachers who are directing the work.

Literally thousands of boys and girls will be blessed this summer in these vacation schools. Many will find Christ as Saviour and Lord in them. Let's not fail them of this great chance. Plan yours even now, if you have not already done so. There is plenty of time yet for the summer is just beginning and several weeks remain yet for these schools.

Many churches have them in connection with the revival and find it a fine combination. Have the Vacation school each morning before the preaching service, which means that they are also in both services. Work out the time and plan one yet.

Be sure and send us a report of your school just as soon as it is over. We want a complete list this year, and the sooner they are sent in the better it will be for all of us. It will take only a few minutes then whereas it might take longer later if the records get misplaced.

Have your Vacation Bible school this summer!

Intermediates, Notice!

Intermediate associational superintendents, please send in your reports. This helps us all and we shall greatly appreciate this cooperation. Do us this favor, please.



MR. G. M. McWILLIAMS
chairman of the Board of Trustees of Woman's College. Mr. McWilliams is a prominent banker and business man of Hattiesburg. He declares that no business man could or would consider losing or rendering useless a potential \$934,000 property for lack of \$55,500 which is the amount needed to complete the endowment of Woman's College.

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1. Educates young women.
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5. Puts CHRIST in Christian education.
6. Proves its work by its products:—Missionaries, teachers, preachers' wives, etc.

Certainly

You will plan for your study course this summer. We want to get into the very largest possible number of churches this summer with a study course. If you have not had the book "Building a Standard Sunday School," have it taught. Get a local worker and go right ahead with it. The teacher is always entitled to credit on the book for having taught it.

Let's give our workers an opportunity to be well trained in the great Sunday school program. A study course is what does it.

7. Provides a place for girls who want to go to a Christian school. For some it is the only place. Blue Mountain reports girls turned away for lack of room. For only \$55,500 we can provide for at least 250 girls at Woman's College. Several times this amount would be required to enlarge any of our other schools to take care of this number. So far as Christian education is concerned if we don't provide for them at Woman's College we can't take care of them elsewhere except at greatly added cost.

What Woman's College Needs

1. \$75,000 from Hattiesburg. This is practically assured as the Chamber of Commerce has agreed to get behind this move.
2. \$55,500 from the remainder of Mississippi. If Hattiesburg can provide \$75,000 certainly all the other Baptists of Mississippi will provide \$55,500.
3. If we fail. We have 40 acres and ten buildings valued at \$417,403 that becomes almost worthless. There is no active market for used college buildings.
4. If we fail. The girls of South Mississippi who want to be educated in a Baptist school will be disappointed. Blue Mountain reports girls turned away. Mississippi College would need added endowment and added dormitory space (See 1938 Convention minutes). Therefore it is endow Mississippi Woman's College or refuse to educate many who want a Baptist education. Adv.

ELECTRIC MILLS

The Electric Mills Baptist Church held an impressive baptismal service in the Scooba Church Sunday night under the leadership of their pastor, brother William Gardner. The Methodist and Presbyterian Churches of Scooba gave up their services to worship with us.

The meeting opened with "Give of Your Best to the Master." Announcements followed. "In the Garden" was sung, then a period of silent prayer, followed with brother Gardner closing the prayer. The message was the fifty-first Psalm showing the Conditions of Blessings. The congregation joined in the hymn, "There Is a Fountain," while the following candidates prepared for baptism: Miss Ruth Brown, Mr. Forrest Brown, Mr. John Brown, Mrs. Quinton Fikes, Miss Doris Hamilton and Miss Florine Early. Just preceding the baptism brother Gardner read the account of the baptism of Christ by John and other scriptures referring to baptism.

Brother Murray Cox pronounced the benediction.—T.

—BR—

Little Axel: "Mama, why does the man hit the pretty lady with the stick? Is he mad at her?"

Mama: "Shush! He isn't hitting her. He is the music director, and keeps time with the stick."

Little Axel: "But why is she holering, Mama?"

Fifty Student Nurses Wanted At Once

Baptist Memorial Hospital, the South's Greatest Hospital, and the largest Baptist Hospital in the world, wants 50 student nurses, Special Class beginning July 1st, 1939.

Opening the pavilion with 100 additional rooms—a large part devoted to charity and part-charity—requires more nurses. The Bible says, "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

For a student nurse this is a three fold opportunity for service. First, you serve humanity; second, you earn a profession next to the ministry itself, and third, you help the greatest hospital in the South.

Write at once and file your application with Miss Myrtle Archer, Director of Nurses. Applicants must be between 18 and 30 years of age, have a high school education, of sound health and a good moral character.

We ask pastors, teachers, and ladies' aid societies to take this matter up with eligible young ladies.

In order to enter July 1st you must file your application at once.

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